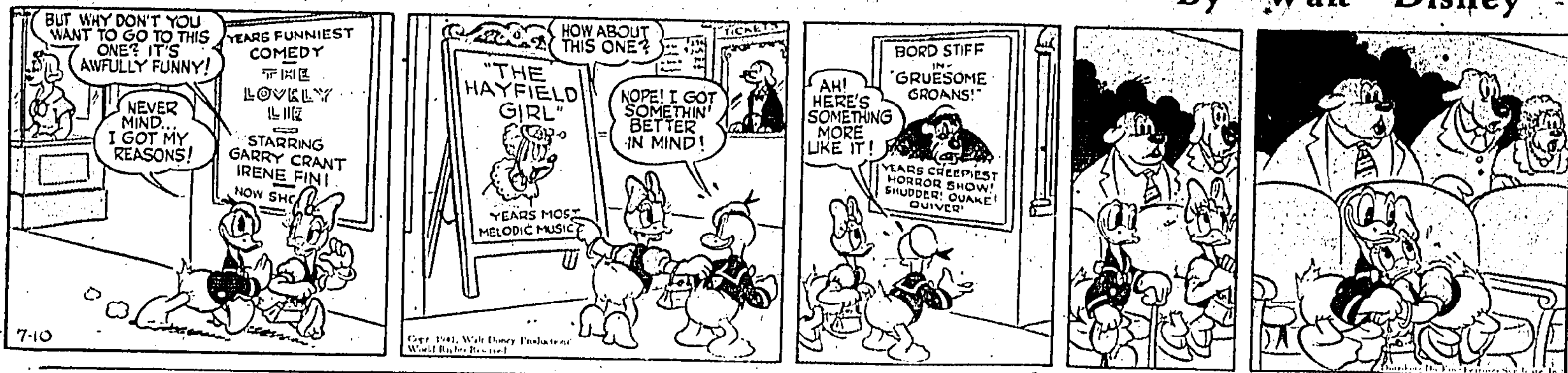


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How to Win
By JOSEPHINE CULBERTSON

Playing for an Error

Declarer often is faced with this problem: Whether to plan his play on the mechanical factor of a favour-able distribution and to call on the enemy for aid. Some of these decisions are close, the hand shown below being a typical example. I do not judge by results, and the fact that the declarer's choice happened to result in victory, whereas the other plan would have ended in defeat, is not my reason for endorsing his decision. But let us examine the hand itself.

South dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

♠ 10 8 4
♥ K Q 4 3
♦ A 9
♣ 10 7

♠ 10 7 6 5
♥ 2
♦ 10 8 2
♣ 8 3

The bidding:
South West North East
1♣ 3♦ 3♥ Pass
4♣ Pass 5♣ Pass

West's jump to three diamonds was an attempt to keep North quiet. North had a good enough hand to enter the auction at the three level, but West's bid was effective, nevertheless, in that it resulted in a minor suit contract for North-South instead of the three notrump that would have been a laydown.

West opened the diamond king and, before playing any card from dummy, declarer did some serious thinking. Dummy's only quick entry was being removed before a heart trick could be established and, therefore, declarer faced the prospect of losing two diamonds and one heart. Obviously, a diamond loser might be salvaged by a ruff in the dummy, but (and this "but" reached mammoth proportions) this depended on dummy's ten of clubs standing up against an overruff by East. Of one thing declarer was

certain, and that was that West's three bid had been based on no less than six diamonds. East, in that case, would have no more than two, with the probability favouring one. With this diamond shortness it was highly likely that East was longer in clubs than was West, and this in turn strongly suggested that the missing queen of clubs would be in the East rather than in the West hand. If that were true, it would be futile to attempt to ruff a diamond—East would overruff.

Having decided that the ruffing plan was unpropitious, declarer fell back on the only alternative, that of playing for an error. He won the first trick with dummy's diamond ace, and rattled off eight trump tricks. A glance at the West hand will disclose the discarding difficulties into which West ran. Reducing to four cards, it was the most natural thing in the world for him to hold the K-5 of spades and the ace of hearts, which brought him down to one diamond. How could he tell that the declarer had started out with three diamonds and that he had not tried for a ruff in the dummy through fear of an overruff? I venture to say that nine out of ten experts would have "fallen" for this hoax. Now, of course, all declarer had to do was lead a diamond and, when he regained the lead with the spade ace, cash his third diamond for the full-filling trick.

How should South play his contract of two spades doubled? Opening lead, deuce of diamonds.

East dealer.
Both sides vulnerable; East-West 60 part-score.

♠ 8 7 4
♥ 6 3
♦ 8 5 3
♣ A 10 7 4

♠ K J 10 9
♥ 8 7 2
♦ 10 7 4 2
♣ 8

♠ A Q 6 2
♥ A K 5 4
♦ 8
♣ J 8 6 3

How should South play his contract of two spades doubled? Opening lead, deuce of diamonds.

These Things Shock Me

By Dr Maude Royden

The Preacher And Expert On Social Problems

ALL of us are shocked in these days by such things as war and totalitarianism: but I myself am not at all shocked at some of the things that shock other people and am really badly shocked at things that don't shock them at all.

It is a silly habit, being shocked. I must get out of it. Really good people are seldom, if ever, shocked.

However, I must admit that I, not being good, am shocked sometimes and had better make a clean breast of it.

Forgotten Woman

I WAS badly shocked recently when I heard a five minutes' broadcast which was intended to lift up my heart for the day.

To my surprise, the uplifting thought was of a man who had been on the "dole" was now on Public Assistance, and had begotten six (or was it seven?) children.

He was perplexed at being told by the guardians that he ought to know where to stop, and by his priest, who said that he ought not to stop anywhere.

The broadcaster said it was shocking that a man's family should be decided by economic considerations.

I agreed; but what shocked me was that he had apparently never noticed that it is not the man who has babies but the woman.

How far the size of a family should depend on her wishes, her health and her strength, seemed to me worthy of consideration by (a) the husband (b) the priest, and (c) the broadcaster.

HERE is another thing. A really good pacifist said the other day that pacifists could not help feeling contempt for other pacifists who (like me) had changed their views about war during the last year-and-a-half.

Well, they ought to help it.

Contempt is one of the attitudes of mind that make wars. If pacifists are contemptuous, they are not pacifists but Pharisees, and Pharisees are—shocking.

In Church

I AM often shocked in church. For instance, I hear a sermon on the parable of the talents.

People are scolded for not using the talents they have, but there is no reference to the really shocking fact that only one in a hundred of us ever gets a chance of using them.

That does shock me. Some people are shocked when I preach—not at what I say but at its being a woman who says it.

I am shocked at their disgusting ideas about the nature of women.

I assure you that this brought me some of the worst shocks of my life. Here is what one bishop said when a vicar asked permission for me to preach in his church:

"Dr Royden may preach if it is not called a sermon."

"If she does not stand in the pulpit."

"If she does not wear a surplice."

Can you imagine the Almighty closely examining the notice board to see whether I was to deliver a sermon or an address?

And, if you can imagine it, are you not shocked at such a silly idea about God?

For my part, I should respect far more highly the vicar and choir men who, because I was forbidden to wear a surplice—a sexless garment, if ever there was one—would not wear their surplices either, but walked into church in their cassocks.

Most Of All

THE other day, a friend said to me with heartfelt sincerity, "God was good to us last night." That gave me a jolt.

It is true that a bomb had fallen in my garden, and hurt no one; but is God only good to us sometimes? Or always good, but sometimes very good? Or good to everyone but very good to—say my friend and me?

On the whole, I believe it is the things that people think about God that shock me most.

I must certainly get over it, for, if He were capable of such foolishness, He must be shocked at me.

GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lichty

"Put this fire-cracker under him, Jeeves!—I will answer for the consequences!"

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Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

1—Anchorite
2—South American monkey
3—One who navigates ship
4—Cause to function
5—Is imminent
6—Frenzied remedy for all diseases
7—Intelligence (abbr.)
8—Duties relating to
9—Third vowel of Greek alphabet
10—Drearily
11—Birth of Latin oration
12—Proven water
13—Follower who follows
14—Do well
15—Address devoutly
16—Threats rocks as
17—Insights
18—Rhythmic goddess
19—Period of time
20—Bottom of foot
21—Women devoted to religious life
22—Aquatic birds
23—Clive out
24—Like high opinion of
25—Lure
26—Atteral spring
27—Aurora
28—Write
29—Planning bow between electrodes
30—Ridiculous
31—Card game
32—Geometrical curve
33—Slipping

DOWN

1—Mohammedan prince
2—Branch of tree
3—Crumbly (adjective)
4—My (Old English)
5—Original with individual
6—Machines for spreading grass
7—Language of ancient Iceland
8—Grave excessively
9—Calcium
10—Phosphorus
11—Thirteen
12—One of Puritans
13—Contemptible
14—Roman road
15—Well proportioned
16—King of Siam
17—Instruments of detection
18—Lacrosse
19—Genus of bears
20—Lender corrupt
21—Real dollars
22—Hilly
23—Hazardous
24—Intending purpose
25—Readily heralded
26—Treasure on Lake Garda, Italy
27—Mode clear
28—One who tests by color
29—Shoulder (French)
30—Woman's lace waist
31—Disrespectfully
32—All time
33—Sudently daring
34—Tax
35—Mountain in Thessaly
36—Island on Adriatic
37—Hills
38—Man-eating giant
39—Cover
40—Lair

Subject: Overleave, Reason For

THE following letter addressed to his commanding officer was written by Second Class Seaman R. E. Wilson, United States Navy, in explanation for overstaying his leave. The letter was originally published in The Houghton Line house magazine.

From: R. E. Wilson, S2C. U.S. Navy,
To: Commanding Officer,
Via: Division Officer, 1st Division.
Subject: Overleave, reason for.

On Sept. 7, I left the ship on ten days' leave at my brother's farm at Cobblecreek, Ark. On Sept. 10, my brother's barn burned down all except the brick silo, which was damaged at the top by the bolt of lightning which started the fire.

On Sept. 11, he decided to repair the silo right away because he had to get his corn in it. I was going to help him.

I rigged a barrel hoist to the top of the silo so that the necessary bricks could be hoisted to the top of the silo where the repair work was going on. Then we hoisted up several hundred bricks. This later turned out to be too many bricks.

After my brother got all the brickwork repaired there was still a lot of brick at the top of the silo on the working platform we had built. I said I would take it all down below. So I climbed down the ladder and hauled the

barrel all the way up. Then I secured the line with a sort of slip knot so I could undo it easier later.

Then I climbed back up the ladder and piled bricks into the barrel until it was full.

I climbed back down the ladder. Then I untied the line to let the bricks down. However, I found the barrel of brick heavier than I was and when the barrel started down, I started up. I thought of letting go, but at that time I was so far up I thought it would be safer to hang on. Half way up, the barrel hit me on the shoulder pretty hard but I still hung on.

I was going pretty fast at the top and bumped my head. My fingers also got pinched in the pulley block. However, at the same time the barrel hit the ground and the bottom fell out of it, letting all the brick out.

I was then heavier than the barrel and down again. I got burned on the leg by the other rope as I went down until I met the barrel again which went by faster than before and took the skin off my shins.

I guess I landed pretty hard on the pile of bricks because at that time I lost my presence of mind and let go of the line and the barrel came down and hit me squarely on the head.

The doctor wouldn't let me start back to the ship until September 16, which made me two days' overleave, which I don't think is too much under the circumstances.

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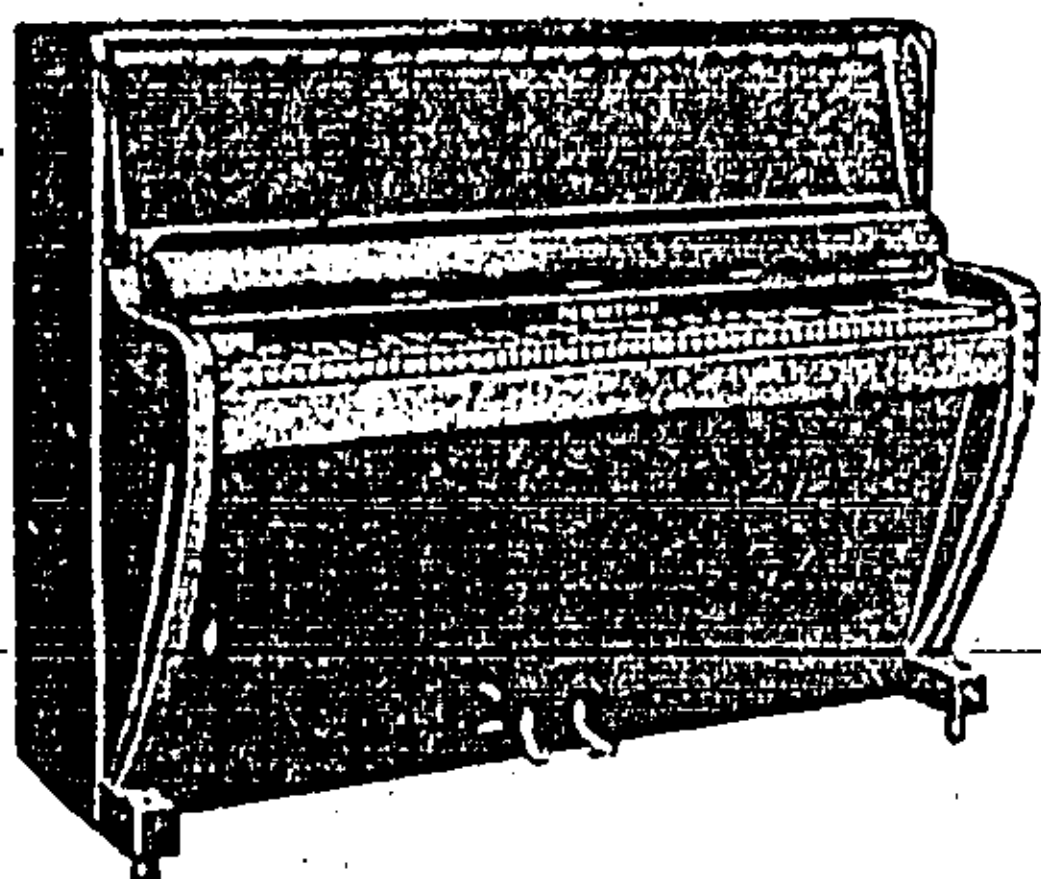


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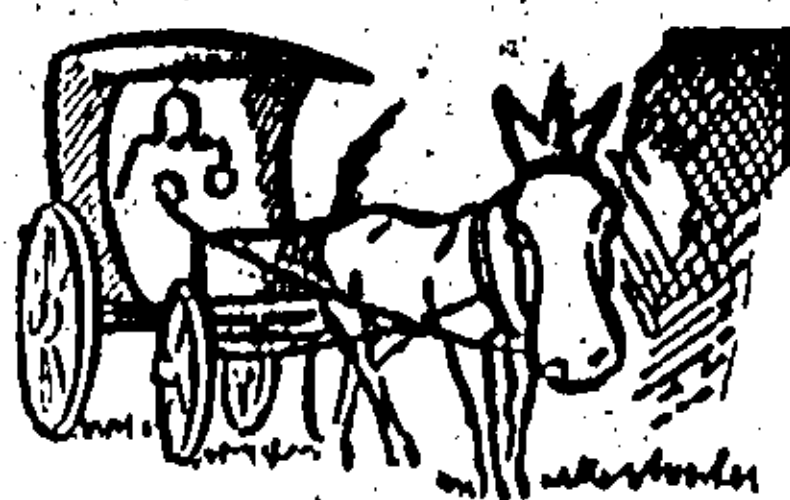
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WORKERS AND THE WAR AGAINST HITLERISM

NOTHING stood out more prominently during the pre-war days of Hitler's regime than the Nazi leader's contempt for and suspicion of organised labour as expressed through the trade unions. The liberalism of the Trade Union movement was, and still is, anathema to Hitler who knows only too well that it stands for the abolition of precisely the system which he so vividly represents—dictatorship.

The unanimous front which trade unionism has taken throughout the world, and notably in Britain and her Empire, against Hitler's belligerent programme to dominate firstly Europe, and later on, the world, is therefore hardly surprising, although to the Nazi Fuehrer, it must be infuriating, assuming as it does a solid front of the democracies' workers, pledged to destroy the pernicious German system.

Australia's workers are among the latest to voice their determination to this end, and recently the Australasian Council of Trade Unions sent the following cable to the High Commissioner of Australia in London, making clear their position in this struggle against brutal dictatorship: "This Congress recalls and re-affirms the declaration of the New South Wales and Victorian branches of the A.C.T.U., and other sections of the Trade Union Congress of 1940 supporting the war against Hitler and Fascism. We record our uncompromising determination to continue the struggle against the aggressor Powers endeavouring to destroy personal liberty, industrial and political freedom, and the right of collective bargaining and associationship, and therefore pledge the Trade Union Movement to work for the swift and complete victory for the cause of Democracy against aggression and oppression. We affirm that to prevent the possibility of individual profiteering by the war there should be brought about the immediate nationalisation of the arms industries and the utilisation of the nation's credit. We demand a substantial immediate improvement in the standard of life and freedom of speech and assembly. Congress expresses its horror and condemnation at the barbaric and ruthless method by which the forces of Nazism and Fascism are endeavouring to gain world control and domination."

Here is a document which reveals the uncompromising attitude of labour to Hitlerism. This is the voice of the peoples of democracy speaking even more forcibly than through the mouth of any statesman or politician. It is a "fight to the finish" declaration which is being echoed over the world.

NAZI-SOVIET WAR POSES A PROBLEM FOR THE FUTURE:

World Economy Is At Stake

Having by this time digested would destroy every vestige of individualism and elementary freedom in the servers of the new war, one is easily whole of Europe.

Democracy, by the way, has found the business was practically unexpected, way of successfully defending herself and that it surely took even the Russian against revolutionary Communism; she has sians themselves by surprise. All of not discovered, so far, the way of properly which goes to prove that the German defending herself against Nazi militarism. Gestapo did a far better job in getting information out of the U.S.S.R. democracy is engaged in, right now. Next to the military and ideological war, there comes the issue of economic world relationships, and they will undoubtedly be strongly influenced by the outcome of this conflict. With Nazi Germany having solved her economic problem by simply using her military force to secure everything she wants in any part of Europe, and with Russia only partly successful in her experiment of state capitalism, what Anglo-American democracy has to do now is to underwrite practically the whole economic cost of Russia's war, owing to the fact that industrially and otherwise the Soviets are hardly up to Germany in the matter of efficiency and means.

By
POLYZOIDES

From the strictly racial, historic and psychological view, the Nazi advance into the Baltic areas is certainly a masterpiece of up-to-date strategy. All the way from East Prussia to Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia and clear through to the gates of Leningrad, those areas constitute the hallowed ground of the earliest Teuton advance to the east 700 years ago when the Knights of the Cross and the Knights of the Sword were in flower.

When the writer of these lines was in Koenigsberg, the capital of East Prussia, in 1939, ten days before the war began on September 3, nothing was more pathetic than to see how distressed those East Prussian Germans were over the prospect that the Baltic republics were about to be handed over to Russia under the secret terms of the treaty of that year between Moscow and Berlin. Eventually the deal was sealed and finally consummated. Every German from those republics was moved back to the Reich, abandoning forever his homestead of many centuries and many generations before him.

Everybody thought at the time that the new arrangement was to be lasting, except, of course, Hitler, who was set upon reclaiming those lands as soon as practicable. His legions are now marching back into the old Teuton domains.

While he is thus encouraging the Lithuanians, Latvians and Estonians to expel the Bolsheviks from those lands, Hitler is helping the Finns to make good their losses of 1940 while at the same time he has given Rumania the "go" sign to march into Bessarabia and Bukovina and reclaim the provinces Russia took away from her less than a year ago. Thus in East Europe Hitler now appears as the strange champion of the self-determination of peoples—his policies in Czechoslovakia, Poland and Yugoslavia notwithstanding. The Bolsheviks have few friends over that part of the world.

These truths are not very pleasant, and not very encouraging; but the time has come to face things as they are, and not as we wished them to be.

There are in Eastern Europe two huge armies fighting for the mastery of those areas; but more than that there are two systems and two philosophies of life locked in mortal combat. Neither of them is popular with us; we are opposed to both. And yet we have to help one of them against the other, and there is plenty of evidence to show that we are going to back the Russian horse to the limit, irrespective of consequences.

We are not doing so because we favour Communism; but rather because we feel that Russia, if victorious, will be satisfied with her survival and the continuation of the task of her national and popular redemption; while should Hitler win, he



**He is
head of
Russia's
armies**

THE generalissimo of the Red armies who directs the war against Germany as Defence Commissar is Marshal Semyon Timoshenko, a soldier of 27 years' experience. His military training began as a private in the Czar's forces in 1914 and reached top army ranking on May 8, 1940, when he replaced Marshal Klementi E. Voroshilov as Defence Commissar.

There is an Alger-like touch to the life of Timoshenko. Last year he returned to his native village of Furmanovka and was hailed as home town people everywhere might welcome a local boy who made good. Wearing the brilliant uniform of a Soviet marshal, he kissed his old boyhood friends and embraced his brother, a labourer who wore the rough homespun clothes of a poor man.

After the close of the Finnish war early last year it was revealed that Marshal Timoshenko had led the Red troops in the northern campaign. He also commanded troops who met the Germans at the close of the war in Poland in the fall of 1939.

Timoshenko is known as a cavalry specialist. He fought, beside Josef V. Stalin in the defence of Tsaritsyn (now Stalingrad) and he rode with the cavalry of Semyon Budenny in the dash into Poland in 1920.

The Red army purge of June, 1937, brought the name of Timoshenko to the forefront. Following the execution of eight Red military leaders, he was named commander of the North Caucasus military corps area. This district at the time was considered one of the most important. It long had been a battleground and some of the most important combats of the civil war were fought in this area.

Before being sent to the North Caucasus, Timoshenko served in the Kiev district as chief assistant to Gen. Jonas E. Yakir, one of the leaders executed in 1937. Prior to that he had been assistant commander of the White Russian district under Gen. Jeremy-Uborevich, who also was executed.

The Red army generalissimo wears the highest decorations. He is a Hero of the Soviet Union and holds the Order of Lenin. Both these honours were bestowed for his leadership in the Finnish and Polish campaigns.

Timoshenko has been a Communist Party member since 1919 and served on the Party's central committee in White Russia and the Ukraine.

He was born 40 years ago in Bessarabia, the son of a peasant. His younger brother, Edm, is a worker.

It is to be regretted of course that Stalin, who is credited with being a shrewd and clever man, had not foreseen in August, 1939, the blind alley into which he was being led by the Nazis who offered him their dubious-temporary alliance. But that is an old story now. Hitler, having isolated and attacked one by one all of his opponents during the last 20 months, is heavily counting on knocking out Russia before that country gets any substantial help from the British and Americans.

Following which, there will be only one potential enemy for the Nazis to tackle, and that enemy will be the United States, with or without the other republics of the Western Hemisphere.



HOPE IN RUSSIA

Best Of Manpower For Task

MONTREAL, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—A road to victory must be blazed through the air. Men who open that road and journey along it must be the best, bravest and brainiest of this and other Commonwealth of Nations.

Thus the Canadian Air Minister, Mr. C. G. Power, referred to the Empire Training Scheme in a speech at a luncheon in Montreal.

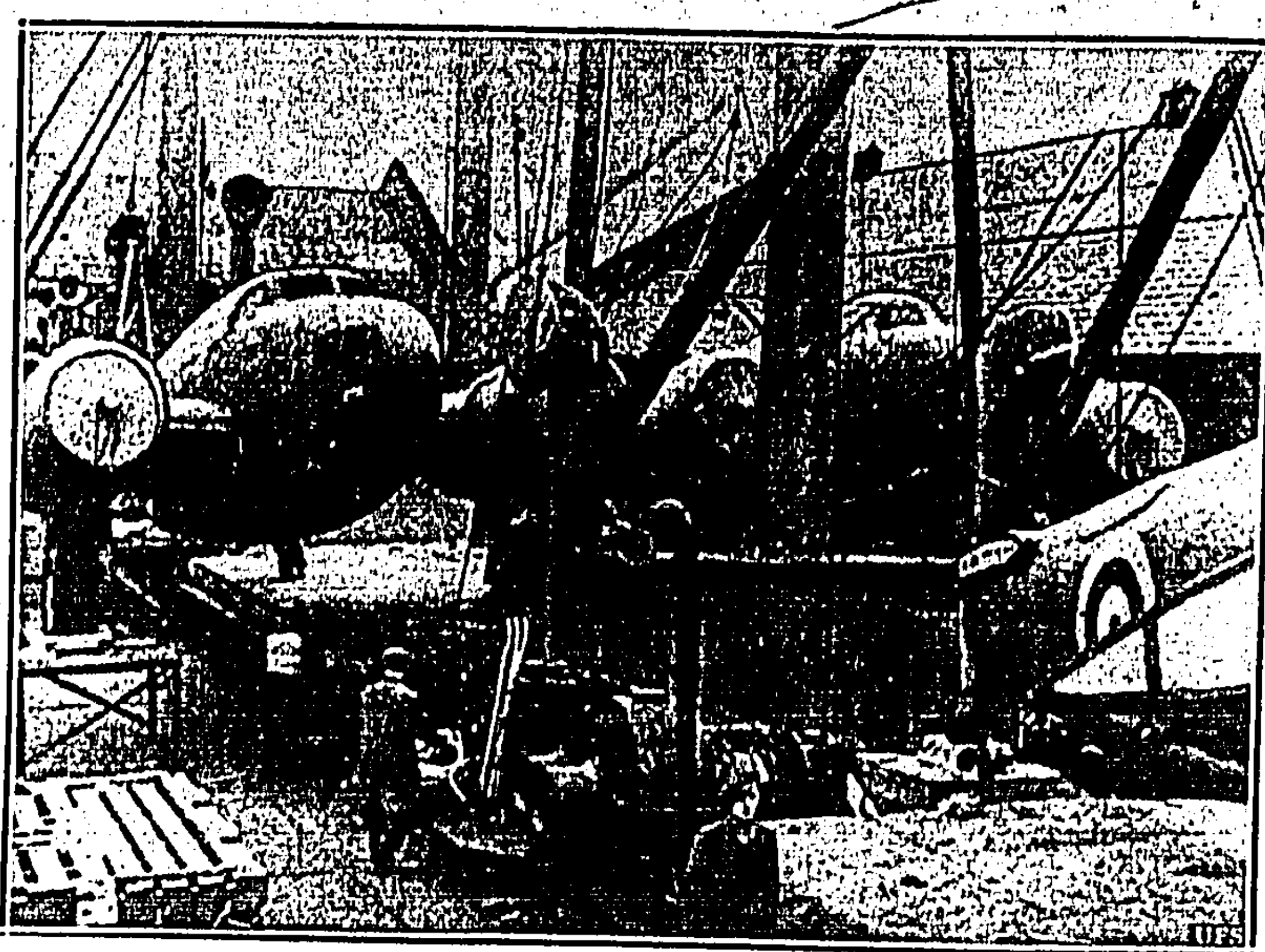
Without giving figures, Mr. Power said: "It has been found that given the originally planned number of schools, aircraft and staff, we can produce a 30 per cent. higher output than originally anticipated."

(When the plan was first announced in autumn, 1939, it was unofficially estimated that the output might be 25,000 airmen a year.)

Gigantic Enterprise

Mr. Power described the plan as the "most gigantic enterprise ever attempted by a people with a population of 12,000,000," and declared that a thousand Canadian airmen were overseas now and "many times more" would be sent overseas before the war was ended.

"Canada's share of the air war is a heavy one. Our people's burden will be greater as more crews of Canadian youth come forward to be trained to blast their way to victory."



SAFELY OVER—Arriving at docks in unnamed British port is this cargo of American-made bombers, after safe crossing of Atlantic. They'll be put into service against Hitler's forces, either on coastal patrol or perhaps for night bombing raids over French and German invasion ports.

Photo by Movietone News.

EMPIRES STAND TOGETHER

Dutch Minister's Declaration

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The community of interest between the British and Netherlands Empires was the theme of an address given by Dr. J. M. Welter, the Netherlands Minister for the Colonies, at a luncheon in London to Lord Moyne, the British Colonial Minister.

Dr. Welter said: "It is as well that we two great colonial Powers should stand together and face the future shoulder to shoulder, for it is a sure thing that even our well-tempered experience in colonial affairs and our resourcefulness will be severely tested by the exigencies of post-war economic and other problems which are bound to follow in the wake of this world-wide conflict."

Live And Let Live

"We cannot at this juncture even anticipate the extent or the exact nature of these problems, but in my opinion no two nations could be better fitted for the task of solving them than ours. Our traditions, our sense of moderation, our code of what is fair and reasonable and our capacity to 'live and let live' have in the past made us the guardians of extensive territories and have fitted us for the position of leading millions of our fellow-men to a better and more enlightened future."

"I am sure, therefore, that however exacting the challenge of the future for our two nations may be, we shall meet it with a confidence inspired by the history of our past achievements."

STOCK EXCHANGE PROFIT-TAKING

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange to-day continued to be firm generally with most sections tending to be higher despite light profit-taking.

Home-rails were again the main feature with moderate further advances while full-priced holdings were firmly held.

Among Industrials, textiles, especially Bradford stocks, were again good, as also were breweries, rayons and motors, but tobacco and shipping were reactionary.

Kaffirs maintained their levels, oils were a shade harder and rubbers were not affected by the "increase."

JUSTICE MURPHY MAY RESIGN

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (UP).—Unconfirmed reports are again being circulated that Mr. Justice Frank Murphy of the Supreme Court is resigning from the Court to accept a Cabinet post. The report is based partly on the delay in naming a successor for Mr. Robert Jackson as Attorney General.

Mr. Francis Biddle, Solicitor General, is supposed to be favoured for the Cabinet post but Justice Murphy's name is being mentioned for it.

IMPORTANCE OF BASES IN EIRE

NEW YORK, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—Mr. Frank McDermott, the Eire Senator, who arrived here by Clipper to-day, declared that it was essential for the future of Ireland that Britain should not be defeated and added: "Lack of air and naval bases in Ireland might make the difference between victory and defeat for Britain in the Battle of the Atlantic."

SECRET SESSION AT CANBERRA

CANBERRA, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—At the conclusion of Mr. Menzies' speech, Parliament went into a secret session which lasted six hours. The Government and Labour Parties to-morrow will discuss Mr. Menzies' proposed trip to London. It is considered unlikely that Labour will agree.

JERUSALEM, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The Military Academy at Baghdad will be re-opened by the Iraqi Government, according to a message received here.

Beaverbrook After Supply Concessions

NEW YORK, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—One of the chief points Lord Beaverbrook is now discussing with President Roosevelt, according to the Washington correspondent of the "Wall Street Journal", concerns British payments for defence orders contracted for prior to the Lend-Lease arrangements entering into force.

The "Journal" says that it is reliably reported that Lord Beaverbrook has asked that the United States should take over all the existing British defence contracts, understood to involve \$1,500,000,000.

Treasury Plan

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—It is learned authoritatively that the United States Treasury Department is co-operating with British officials to relieve Britain's dollar position and is working on a plan whereby the United States Government would assume outstanding payments under the Lend-Lease Act on a certain percentage of orders contracted for by the British before the adoption of the Act.

However, it is stressed that the proportion of such payments to be taken over by the United States is not yet fixed and well-informed quarters are inclined to feel that the report in the "Wall Street Journal" that the United States Government would take over one-third of such payments is exaggerated.

Food Purchased

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The Agriculture Department announced the purchase of 1,320,000 pounds of American cheese, 5,580 cases of eggs, 2,161,000 pounds of dried pears, of which the bulk, it is understood, will be exported to Britain.

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"Y" Hockey Club Meeting Officers Elected

Mr V. M. Benwell, Chairman and Captain of the European Y.M.C.A. Hockey Club, was re-elected at the annual meeting yesterday.

Mr E. W. Hallton, Secretary, said the war was again the dominating factor of the year and was responsible to a great extent for the uncertainty of individual appearances.

The 71 games played, resulted:

First and A XI.—Played 42, won 16, drew 1, lost 17.

Second XI.—Played 29, won 10, drew 0, lost 19.

Officers elected were:—V. M. Benwell (Chairman and Captain), R. Banks (Secretary), E. G. Youliffe, Mr L. F. Coombe (Vice-Captain), R. Dorrer (Captain of Second XI), W. Ireson (Vice-Captain).

Opening Games

The opening of the season will be held the third week in September with practice matches. Two games will be played every Saturday and at least another during the week. If the Hong Kong Hockey Association decides to run a six-a-side tournament distinct from the Y.M.C.A. tournament, the committee will enter.

Basketball

League Games Result As Expected

Two basketball matches in the Wu Tsi-chen Cup came out as expected when the strong South China quintette overwhelmed Youths 46-31 and National University defeated Resident Union 45-29 last night.

Although the matches were not predicted to be closely contested, University, much to their surprise, met a dark horse and were fully extended. In the first half alone, the scores were deadlocked twice and the score at the interval stood at 21-15 in favour of the winners.

The second half saw Union hoopers catching up and in less than five minutes they tied the score at 24 but the deadlock was short-lived for Varsity sank four consecutive goals.

Too Strong

South China proved too strong for Youths and the score was at no time close. The score at the interval was 20-13.

National University.—Chan Siu-luk (14), Chan Sun-ku (13), Yip Fui-lung (10), Yu Siu-hung (2), Cheng Yik-tong (2), Yu Siu-yim (4).

Residents' Union.—Nai Wing-kwong (2), Chan Yung-sang (8), Lui Po-kei (3), Lee Chun-chung (3), Chan Yip-sang (5), Yu Kwai-pun (2).

South China.—Shek Chun-chi (11), Cheng Yik-kwan (4), Chung Lin (13), Ng Siu-chui (3), Shek Chun-tat (3), Chiu Kit-min (6).

Youths.—Tan Sip-kong (7), Yau Ts (0), Lee Chee-man (2), Yau Koh-chi (7), Lee Kan-ching (0).

Nazi Envoy In Disgrace Recall From Argentine

BUENOS AIRES, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—It is reported, but without confirmation, that the German Ambassador Herr von Thiermann and the senior staff of the Embassy here have been recalled by Berlin.

The Ambassador will be succeeded by Herr von Levetzow, Counsellor in Rio de Janeiro.

Herr von Thiermann's recall is said to be due to recent blunders.

Gestapo Index

BUENOS AIRES, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—A Gestapo index containing the names of 3,000 prominent anti-Nazi Argentines, has been discovered by the Chamber of Commerce Investigating Committee in one of 83 parcels brought to Argentina recently by the Japanese vessel Nana Maru.

It will be remembered that the parcels contained propaganda matter consigned "for personal use" to the German Embassy.

Canadians In Britain

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—A further contingent of the Canadian army has arrived safely at a British port, living proof that Germany is losing the Battle of the Atlantic.

The contingent includes ordnance, army service corps, heavy anti-aircraft and field ambulance units. The same convoy also brought to Britain men of the Belgian army.

Appeal To Thailand

RANGOON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—It is revealed here that the broadcast appeal to Thailand to stand firm in the maintenance of her independence, made in Thai from the Penang station, was by Sir Joseph Maung Gyi, foremost of Burma's elder statesmen and at one time Acting Governor of Burma.

Sir Maung, whose early years were spent in Thailand, recalled that the country recently assumed her new name, which means "Free."

Thai Appointments

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". BANGKOK, Aug. 20 (UP).—It is officially gazetted that Lieutenant General Luang Bromyodhi has been appointed Minister of Defence; Major Luang Kowitabhaiwong, Minister of Communications; General Prohoribanyudhik, Minister of Economics; and Vice Admiral Luang Sindh Songgramjaya, Minister of Education.

Ship Bombed In Portuguese Waters

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—Three German aircraft violated neutral waters recently to attack a British ship as she was lying off a Portuguese port waiting to enter.

The attack occurred at a point off the land frontier of Portugal and Spain and well within territorial limits. Because of this, the crew of the British ship were taken by surprise, believing that the approaching planes must either be Portuguese or Spanish but the aircraft attacked, dropping one bomb which fell near the ship and raking her with machine-gun fire.

Fortunately there were no casualties.

Desert Warfare

CAIRO, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—A Middle East communiqué states that in Tahrak a heavy dust storm has restricted activity. There was some enemy shelling.

In the frontier area, enemy motor transport were damaged by our artillery fire.

Palestine Pound

DAMASCUS, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The value of the Palestine pound has been fixed in Syrian money at 883 piastres 125 milles by the Director-General of Economic Services. It has recently been over ten Syrian pounds on the free market.

Signals Win Relay

Hongkong Signal Company won the Sunlit-Unit relay yesterday in the Army pool when they beat 7th A.A. with 2nd Street Engineers third.

Two days were necessary. The 7th A.A. 2nd Fortress R.E. and 40th Fortress R.E. dropped from the first and Hongkong Signal Company, 12th Coastal Regiment and 11 Coy, Middlesex in the second.

Second Soccer Lecture

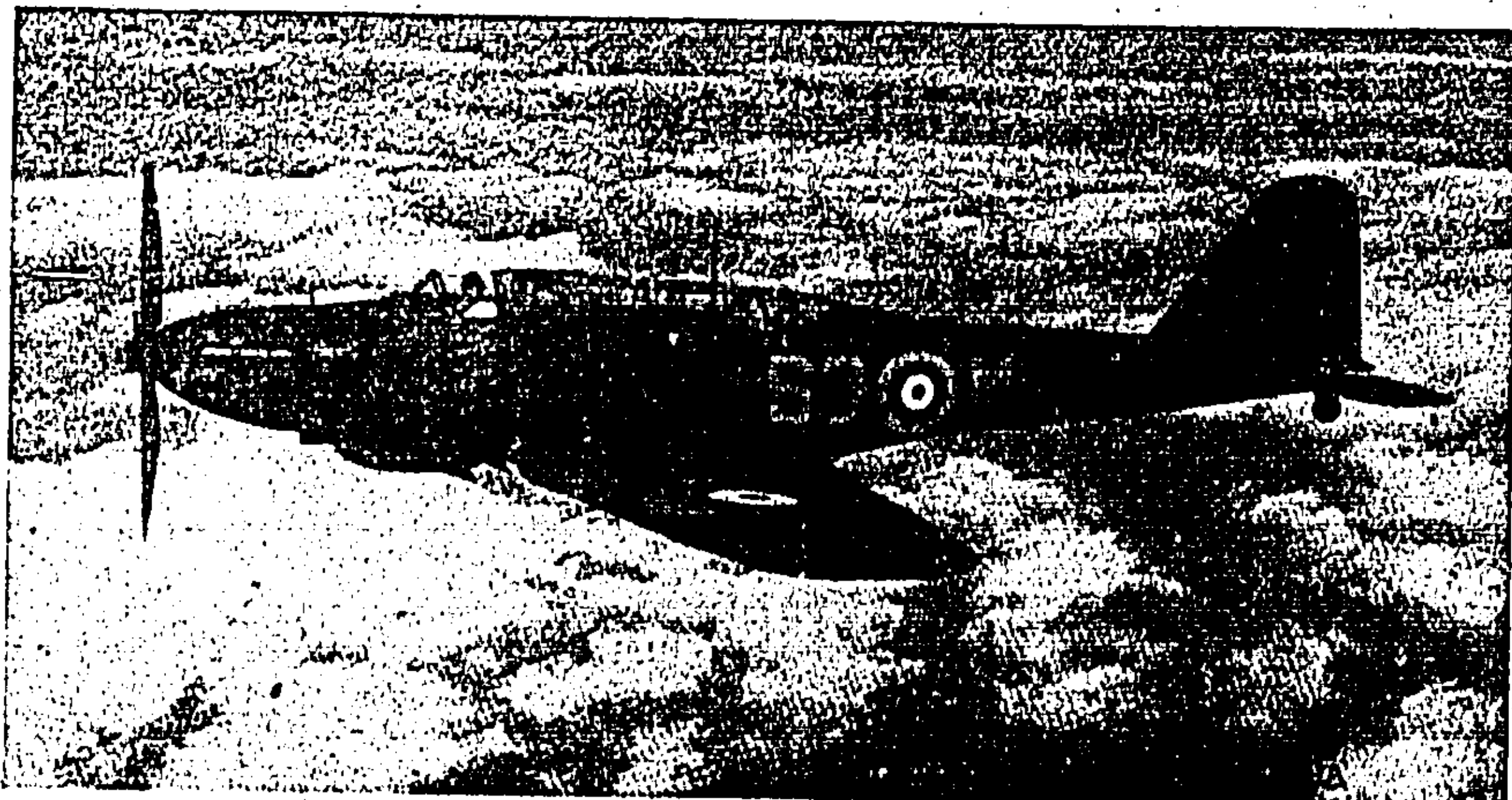
The second soccer lecture confined to Laws Nos. 4, 5, 6 and 7 will be delivered by Mr. Hugh A. Beard, Chairman of the Football Referees' Association at Scandal Point Hall at 7 p.m. to-day.

It is hoped that those who attended the first lecture will be present as a very comprehensive survey of the laws in question will be given. Junior referees are also welcome.

Iran Renly Awaited

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". LONDON, Aug. 20 (UP).—It is learned here that Teheran has promised to reply within a few days to the Anglo-Soviet notes which were delivered last Saturday. Authoritative sources stated: "The day is near when we should have a reply."

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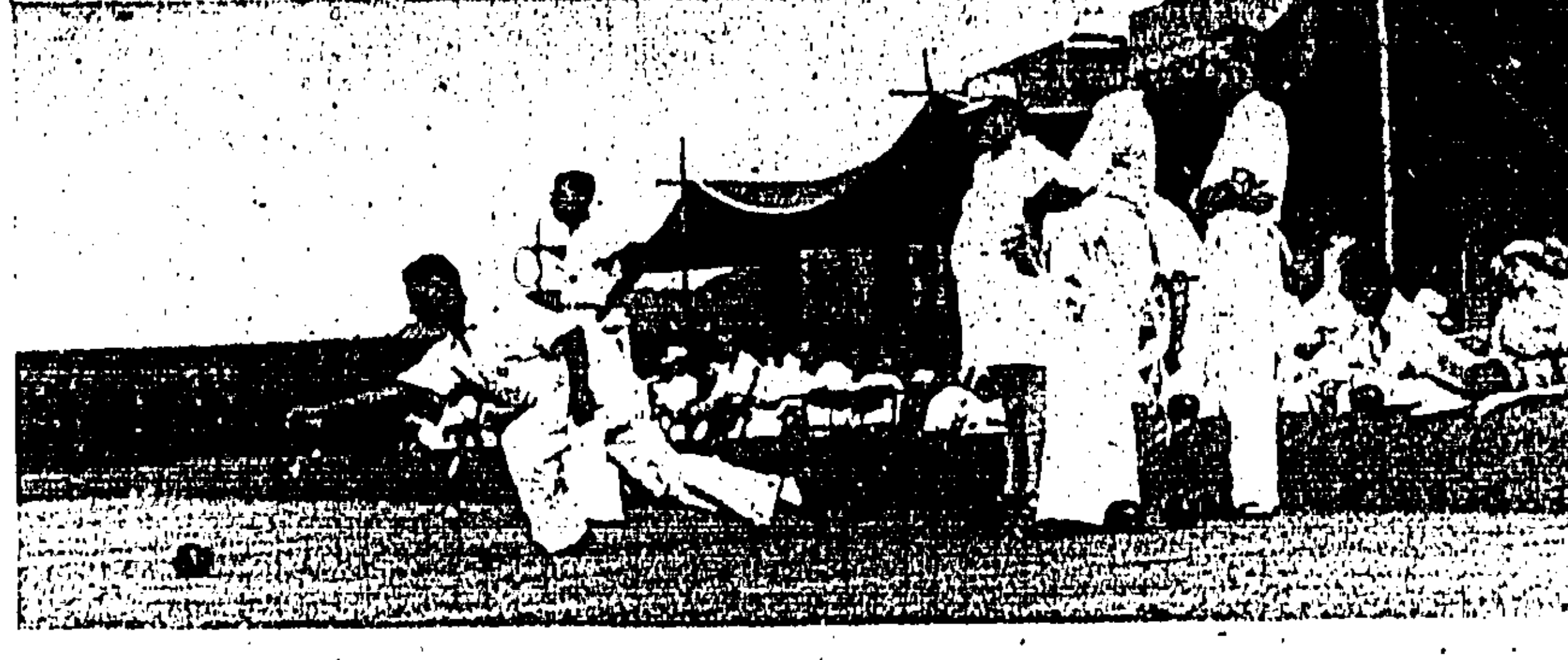
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"WICK'S" BOWLS NOTES



Left — U. M. Omar, the brilliant Craigengower skip, who carried his rink to victory over his club-mates skipped by G. S. Roselet in the Championship final game at the Kowloon F.C. last Sunday.
Right — K. M. Omar, taking the directions of his elder brother, A. M. Omar and P. W. Bradbury (of the winning rink) and R. Dasa and A. E. Coates. (Roselet's rink) standing behind — Ming Yuen.



Senior Struggle To Avoid Relegation

Prospects of Promotion for Kowloon F.C. and Kowloon B.G.C.

U. M. Omar Brilliantly Carries Rink to Victory

THE ONLY FAULT one can find with these clean-sweep victories of Craigengower C.C. in the First Division is that they leave every other team out in the cold as far as the championship is concerned. The only interest in this section centres on the bottom teams' attempts to avoid relegation, and although Kowloon B.G.C. "B" are at the moment occupying the cellar position, several other clubs are not yet out of the wood.

In the Second Division, Kowloon Football Club shot out to the front last week as the result of their own 4-1 victory over Hongkong Cricket Club, and the surprising lapse of Kowloon Tong who, at Tai Koo, were beaten on all three rinks. The Footballers are now five points ahead—a lead which may make all the difference to their championship aspirations.

In the Third Division, Kowloon B.G.C. seem to be sitting pretty. Their nearest rivals, Indian B.C., fell down badly last week against Club de Recreo at King's Park, and are definitely out of the running.

The only team that appear to have any chance of overhauling the Bowling Green in this division are the Police, who are moving up slowly but surely in the League Table.

THOSE who saw the quarter-final rink match between the sides led by U. M. Omar and C. S. Roselet must have been pleased that they were there, for they saw "U.M." on one of his best days. And only those who have seen him at his best know what that means. I have heard it said that like two younger brothers and D. W. Bradbury, the other members of his rink, rely too much on him.

Not having seen his other matches this season, I cannot say whether or not this is true; but I can say without reservation that if "U.M." in the semi-final and final can reproduce the same form that he showed last Sunday, Bradbury and the younger Omars have nothing to worry about.

The four rinks left in the semi-finals are:

W. McLeod, W. B. Harris, W. S. Dall and J. Shepherd.
A. M. Omar, K. M. Omar, B. W. Bradbury and U. M. Omar.

L. Sykes, W. McNeill, D. Dunne and A. J. Hall.

J. Hoosen, A. M. Rumjahn, A. E. Dallah and M. R. Abbas.

At the time of writing, there has been no announcement as to when the draw will be made, but I understand that the semi-finals will not be played for some time.

IN the League match between Craigengower C.C. and Kowloon B.G.C. "B", the only thing of note was the hard fight U. M. Omar, without R. Dasa as his No. 3, had to retain his 100 per cent. record.

Drawn against L. Sykes, who was skipping in place of Percy Peckham, Omar only managed to win by three shots after being all square at 10-10 on the 18th head. Sykes, given good support by his front men, nearly pulled off what many an experienced skip has failed to do this season.

AT Sookunpo, Club de Recreo "A" had little difficulty in taking four points from the Indians. It would have been a much better game had the Indians been at full strength, but with two novices taking part, the result was a foregone conclusion.

A. H. Dallah was the only Indian skip to win. His front men, D. M. Khan, A. K. Ismail and J. Hoosen, played brilliantly especially after tea—when they scored 10 shots in eight consecutive heads—and Dallah himself showed more confidence than he had done for some time.

The result was that H. A. Alves, the opposing skip, was always up against it.

It was just as well for the Portuguese rink that J. E. Noronha, No. 3 to Alves, was in great form, for had it not been for him the Indians would have won by a wider margin on this rink.

Although he himself played one of his best games this season, A. K. Minu had to bow to defeat by seven shots.

But then his front men were not at their best and he had to contend

Home Soccer To Aid Red Cross Fund

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—An attractive programme of international and representative matches has been arranged by the Football Association, and the Red Cross should receive substantial funds from the proceeds.

Seventeen matches have been arranged, including meetings between full international sides of England and Scotland at Wembley and Hampden Park, and two matches between England and Wales.

The Services are fully entered for in several Army v. R.A.F. clashes that have been scheduled, while a match between the Army in Scotland and the Army in England will virtually be another full international match since it is practically certain that nearly all players will be internationals.

New Swimming Record

Berne, Aug. 20. Danish swimmer, who has held many world records during the last few years, today broke her own 800 metres free style of 11 minutes 11.7 seconds which has stood since 1936, returning 10:52.5.—Reuter.

with F. X. Soares, R. F. Luz and F. V. V. Ribeiro on the opposite side and lastly C. Rosa-Pereira, who had charge of the rink.

The third Recreo rink, J. A. Luz, C. E. Marques, L. F. Xavier and J. F. V. Ribeiro were far too good, men for many, for the B.G.C. four led by M. R. Abbas and their 15-shot margin of victory just about represented the difference between the two rinks.

CIVIL Service C.C., who are one of the teams in danger of relegation, did very well to beat Kowloon Ducks by two rinks to one at Hung-hom.

M. N. Rakusen, who has done so well for them this year, won his seventh consecutive match and with W. J. Burling beating F. Cullen by 14 shots, victory was assured.

The four points the Civil Servants obtained in this match have given them 21½ points lead over Kowloon B.G.C. "B" but the League programme has yet nearly a third way to go, and anything may happen in between.

IN the Third Division, Kowloon B.G.C., although down on two rinks, were up on aggregate, thanks to C. Wallis' rink, who beat E. S. Abraham's four by 10 shots, easily covering the deficit of the other two rinks.

But though the K.B.G.C. have a substantial lead and the Indians have dropped out of the running, they have to be careful about the Police, who are making a last-minute spurt.

Last week, the Police made a clean sweep against Craigengower C.C. and their form at the moment is so good that they are regarded now as the strongest challengers in this section.

THE Indians had a happy time at the Club de Recreo last week as regards entertainment—they had fifteen, dinner and then were guests at the horse-racing at the Recreo—but from the point of view of bowls, they were well out of it.

It has been suggested by a wag at the Sookunpo club that after all the hospitality lavished on them by their hosts, the Indians did not have the heart to walk away with the points as well!

Swimming European "Y" Championship Heats To-morrow

European Y.M.C.A. swimming championships will be held on August 20, 21 and 22, at 8 p.m. on the first two nights and 9 p.m. on the final night.

Heats will be held for the 50 yards to-morrow and the 100 yards on August 21.

To-morrow's heats are: Heat 1—C. Goldman, B. S. Wilson, A. F. May, Heat 2—D. Hutchinson, R. Goldman, E. A. Roberts, J. Larson, Heat 3—E. F. Paul, G. Arnold, N. D. Booker.

The first in each heat and the fastest second will qualify.

Heats for the 100 yards are: Heat 1—B. S. Wilson, D. de Van Twiddle, D. Hutchinson, Heat 2—E. A. Roberts, A. F. May, E. F. Paul, N. D. Booker.

Following are the entries:

250 yards—E. F. Paul, E. A. Roberts, A. F. May, N. D. Booker, L. A. Benn.

Boys' 50 yards—J. Larson, G. Saunders, N. McQueen.

100 yards back-stroke—B. S. Wilson, F. Willis, E. A. Roberts.

August 21

50 yards final—W. S. Gegg, W. Burre, D. Hutchinson.

100 yards back-stroke—B. S. Wilson, W. S. Gegg, F. Willis, E. A. Roberts.

400 yards—A. F. May, A. H. Pepper, L. A. Benn.

August 20

100 yards free-style—W. B. Ure, C. Goldman, H. Goldman, E. F. Paul, A. F. May.

Boys' 100 yards—J. Larson, G. Saunders, N. McQueen.

50 yards breast-stroke—W. S. Gegg, F. Willis, D. Hutchinson, N. D. Booker.

But one half of the team are proud of their record. They sustained only four defeats in 10 matches—three of these being in the "test" series.

One match was drawn, and the remaining 14 were won.

Those who arrived yesterday were Chan Fok-yun (manager), Siu Tin-lim (treasurer), V. K. Iyul, K. Wing-fook, C. T. Tsao, Hau Ching-to, Chung Kam-hoi, Ng Ki-cheong and Y. S. Yen (Eastern), Li Tin-sang, Taut Ah-fai, Fung King-cheung, Lai Shiu-ying, Cheung Wing-shoy, Leung Wing-chiu, Soong Ling-sing and Ip Pak-wa.

Hospitality Praised

THE hospitality of the Australians, they said, was second to none. Courtesy and kindness met them wherever they went, and it was a

real pleasure to play football against such sportsmen.

Whatever misgivings may have been entertained prior to their arrival in the southern continent, they were certainly dispelled after the playing of the first few games, for considerable crowds turned out for each match. The average was about 30,000.

The tour had caused hardly any interruption in the Australian League programme, which was one of the reasons against advanced by one of the Aussie officials prior to the departure of the team from Hong-kong.

On the other hands, warmest appreciation had been expressed by the Australians to the Chinese team for having made the trip, which had created no little interest among soccer supporters in the Antipodes.

A reception in the form of a dinner and dance, it is understood, will shortly be arranged to welcome the returned players.

"Y" Win Water-Polo

In the water-polo tournament yesterday Y.M.C.A. beat 8th Coastal Regiment 3-0. P. B. Wilson, L. A. Benn and A. F. May scored.

Bowls Pairs Tournament

Champions' Easy Passage Into Next Round

H. A. ALVES AND F. V. V. RIBEIRO, holders of the Colony lawn bowls pairs title, had a comparatively easy passage into the next round of the current tournament when they met and defeated J. V. Ramsay and R. Morrison 23-13 at the Kowloon Cricket Club yesterday.

Despite predictions that the holders would not survive, Alves and Ribeiro were again their true selves on a green that played very well.

The leads—Alves and Ramsay—were always in a keen tussle, though over the latter stages of the game, Alves showed superiority, and the result, therefore, was the outcome of the skips' duel.

F. V. V. Ribeiro at almost all stages had the measure of Morrison, though it was not until the 14th end, when the Ribeiro pair registered a six that fortune made a definite turn in their favour.

Score on the 14th end was 11-10, and thus after the 14th was 17-10—a difference which Ramsay and Morrison were unable to make up.

The six was the result of the bowling by Ribeiro, and with a little more luck he and his partner would have celebrated with a bottle of champagne for his last crowd was just slightly too heavy to draw for the seven.

Ramsay and Morrison lay two when the skips went down to bowl, but having all his woods at the back, Ribeiro came through slightly heavy and trailed his jack, into his own nest, eventually counting six.

Scores were:

H. A. Alves & F. V. V. Ribeiro: 0 0 2 0 3 3 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 1 1 3 0 23

J. V. Ramsay & R. Morrison: 1 1 0 0 0 0 1 0 1 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 1 13

Very Close

At Craigengower, H. R. Pinna and B. Basto recorded the day's second win for Recreo when they beat W. Williamson and C. S. M. Thom 21-11, the deciding head being the 21st!

Pinna and Basto went into a commanding lead of 11-1 by the 6th end, but Cameron and Post came back strongly over the next 10 heads, scoring a 5 on the 14th, and drew level 16-all on the 16th.

They went into the lead 17-16 on the 17th, but the Recreo pair scored a 3 to move to 19-17, and two singles on the 18th and 20th ends dead-locked scores at 19-all for the commencement of the 21st.

Pinna laid well for the last head, and the efforts of Cameron and Post

'Allied Olympics' In London

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—Special "V" emblems will be distributed among spectators at a minor "Allied Olympics" athletic meeting being held in London on Saturday.

The Services, Civil Defence and Civilian will be represented among the entries received from Belgium, Poles, Frenchmen, Netherlands, Czechs and Englishmen.

could not displace their opponents' two.

Scores were: Pinna & Basto: 3 1 2 0 4 1 0 1 0 0 3 0 0 2 21 Williamson & Thom: 0 0 0 1 0 0 2 0 0 3 1 0 0 2 1 0 1 13

Recreo's Third Win

Opening with a 6, L. J. Silva and J. F. V. Ribeiro scored Recreo's third win of the day when they beat Y. H. Tang and A. J. Kew 23-17 at the Kowloon B.G.C.

Silva and Ribeiro were never led, though with their 4 on the 9th, the Kowloon Tong pair drew up within striking distance.

Scores were: Silva & Ribeiro: 6 1 0 2 1 0 0 1 0 3 0 1 0 3 0 2 22 Tang & Kew: 0 0 2 0 0 1 1 0 4 0 1 0 1 0 3 1 17

Omar Brothers Through

The Omar brothers, A. M. and U. M., entered the next round of the Tournament at the expense of W. Williamson and C. S. M. Thom—though it was only over the last few heads that the Omars, scored 12 shots to win!

They led all the way, 7-0 on the 4th, and 12-4 on the 9th, but a 5 on the 10th brought Williamson and Thom nearer at 12-9, and eventually the latter pair were only one shot down, 10-15, on the 16th.

But then over the last five heads, the Omars scored 3, 4, 0, 5, 0 and won with their 9 shots margin.

Scores were: A. M. & U. M. Omar: 2 2 1 2 0 0 2 1 2 0 3 0 1 0 3 0 20 Williamson & Thom: 0 0 0 0 3 1 0 0 0 5 0 1 0 1 3 0 1 19

H.K.F.C. Rinks

The following rinks have been chosen to represent the Hongkong Football Club in the Third Division against Craigengower at Craigengower on Saturday, 4.30 p.m.:

T. H. Pearce, C. G. Solis, B. I. Dickford and J. A. Mansell; A. Gratton, C. Carr, K. Forrow and G. S. Graver; A. Bailey, J. Russell, S. Strange and J. Halston.

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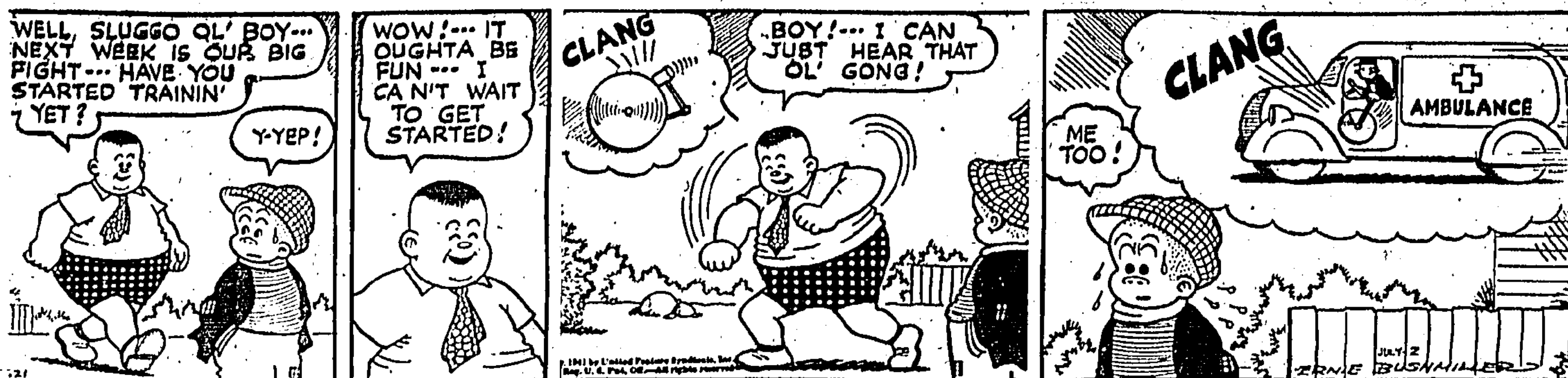
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NAZI POLICE IN HOLLAND

Because of the anti-Nazi attitude of the Dutch police the Germans have made sweeping changes, according to "Vrij Nederland," the Free Dutch newspaper published in London.

The new police will be of two types—order police, to patrol streets, and criminal police, who will be accommodated in a central base. Uniforms and ranks will be similar to the military, and there will be a ceremonial change of uniforms at various points, including traffic control.

Police forces have been increased at the Hague and Rotterdam, and all the police will be given greater powers. A Zeeland man has been sentenced to thirty months' imprisonment for provocative behaviour against the German police.

Jews in Holland are now forbidden to be members of orchestras or of the Stock Exchange.

Alekshin's Statement
The Nazi press gives wide publicity to a statement by Dr Alekshin, the world chess champion, who, writing of his defeat of Dr Euwe, the Dutch champion, says:

"With my victory over Euwe who, though an Aryan, was supported by the Jewish chess clique, the Jewish influence in the chess world has finished for ever. In the match I knew I had not only to defeat Euwe but the Jewish clique, and by ten games to four I beat a champion and Jewry."

Infant Schools
Nazi infant schools, whose object, according to a leader of the Bureau of Communal Wellbeing, is to teach the child "to love and have faith in the Führer" are being opened throughout the Netherlands. The Roman Catholic paper, "Noord-Nieuws," has been banned by Nazis.

The Boy Scout movement has been suppressed because of its anti-German activities and because "Scouts form part of the international movement directed from London."

Decree Nisi For Major

Undefended Suit In Singapore

Petitioning for a divorce on the ground of adultery, Major Douglas Percy Dewe was granted a decree nisi in the Singapore High Court recently by Mr Justice Worley.

It was alleged that the respondent, Rosanna Clements Gou, lived with O. C. Barrow, a member of the Government Reserve at Malacca, during the absence in North Malaya.

The suit was undefended. Dewe was given custody of the two children.

Appearing for the petitioner, Mr A. F. Thorne said that his client was an acting major in the Indian Medical Service, and was at present stationed in Malaya. Dewe married the respondent in England in 1934, and a son was born in the following year. While serving in India, went on counsel, the respondent left her husband and returned to England in 1937.

They lived together again on his transfer to Malaya, but were not happy. In 1940 another son was born. Continuing, Mr Thorne said that Mrs Dewe became very friendly with Cutler, and while the petitioner was in North Malaya he had information to the effect that the respondent and Cutler lived in the Government Rest-house at Malacca for several days during May and June.

Mr Thorne said that the elder son was in school in Malaya. The other boy was with the mother.

After hearing the evidence of the reception clerk employed at the rest-house, the judge said he was satisfied that adultery had been committed.

Woman Fined £2 For Showing Off

A woman who wore the uniform of lieutenant-colonel of the R.A.M.C. just to show off was fined £2 at Lancaster recently.

She was Esther Jacques, thirty-one, a married woman, of Hallow, near Lancaster, the mother of two children, aged eleven and nine, and employed as a first-aid nurse. Mrs Jacques said she bought badges and sewed them on. It was vanity that made her wear the uniform.

The only reason was to make people who saw her believe that she held a very high rank in the Army. It was stated that Mrs Jacques bought the uniform for £2.

BRITISH SEAMEN RESCUED

SEVENTY-EIGHT British seamen, prisoners for 26 days on three German ships, were rescued when Ship Number 3, hounded down by the Navy, scuttled herself.

The men were the crews of the steamers, Trafalgar and Rabaul, and recently they landed at a British port.

Here is a picture of the last stages of their captivity that one of them gave to a "Daily Mail" reporter:

"We'd seen a Catalina flying-boat approaching and were ordered below. 'We heard the guns of the raider open fire and the Catalina dropped three bombs. Luckily for us, they missed.'"

"Not long afterwards a British warship was sighted. We read the signal through the portholes. Stop and strip your guns or we will open fire." "The Germans replied that they had British prisoners on board. More British warships came in sight, and the Germans took us on deck and told us they were preparing to scuttle."

Parting Gifts

"They put us in a boat and gave us scarves, cigarettes, and chocolate. 'We thought they wanted to create a good impression. The captives first spent six days on a Nazi supply ship, where, they were fed mostly on black bread and German sausages.'"

Donald McDonald, 19-year-old seaman from Habbema, Stornoway, said: "The Trafalgar was bound for South Africa. A German supply ship, Themis, came close at night, and, without warning, opened fire from about 60 yards' range."

"It was murder. She fired fully 12 salvos, and as we took to the boats our ship was blazing from end to end."

Taken below decks, they found the men of the Rabaul, which had also been sunk by the Themis.

On the sixth day the prisoners were transferred to another German ship. "We were pushed into No. 3 hold among bales of cotton," said one of the rescued men.

"Twelve days after our ships had been sunk we were transferred to a third German ship, the Alsteros."

PUNISHMENT FOR LATE BRIDES

Rector On Silly Custom

In future, brides arriving late at St John's Church of England, Balmain, Australia, may find the minister, groom, and best man gone—temporarily at any rate.

The rector of St John's (Rev. A. G. Rix) gave this warning recently in his parish magazine.

"Brides stick to the silly tradition that they should be late, apparently for the purpose of not appearing too eager to rush into marriage," he says.

"Late brides should be given a lesson."

"The clergyman, groom, and his friends should retire, shall we say, to the rectory, and turn up again 10 minutes after the bride arrives."

"You would probably find the bride in a faint in the arms of her bridesmaids."

"The silly custom of being late for weddings is inconsiderate and very rude."

"Being late is also rudeness to wedding guests, who become restless, bored, and finally irreverent."

Husband Cited His Step-Father

A step-father was cited as co-respondent in an English Divorce Court recently.

Mr Justice Langton granted a decree nisi to Mr Percy Cudd, of Oxford, because of the misconduct of Mrs Dorothy Agnes Cudd with Mr Murrell, her husband's step-father.

The case for Mr Cudd was that, after the death of his mother, in 1938, Mr Murrell came to lodge with him.

In January, 1939, Mr Murrell went away, and a few days later Mrs Cudd left home.

Inquiries were made, and Mrs Cudd and Mr Murrell were found living together at Strood, Kent.



TIGHTENS DEFENCES—Brazil, largest country in South America, is energetically overhauling her defence forces in all branches, because of her nearness to the bulge of Africa, coveted by the Nazis. Here are Brazilian infantrymen on a march to manoeuvres in the state of Pernambuco.

"A SMOKING, LURCHING BLACK RUIN" HOW THE ROYAL NAVY SANK THE BISMARCK

This account of the naval operations which ended with the sinking of the German battleship Bismarck, was given by an officer of the King George V. The officer first described how the Bismarck and the cruiser Prinz Eugen were sighted, and how the Bismarck was chased through ice-floes and fog after the action in which the Hood was sunk.

Meanwhile, the King George V was pounding along with the spray flying right up over the bridge and caking white salt on the tall funnels. The aircraft-carrier Victorious was in the chase, too, and as soon as she was within air-range she flew off her torpedo-carrying aircraft, and at 2 o'clock on the morning of May 25 reported one hit. Within one hour of that splendid news, however, the Bismarck and the Prinz Eugen had slipped away from their pursuers in the treacherous half-dark.

But British ships were drawing in on the enemy. The Rodney was there, too, steaming about two knots more than she had ever been capable of before. Stokers had collapsed with heat-stroke and strain to do it. As the day closed in with a rising north-westerly wind and swell, they learned that the Ark Royal had flown off a striking force of torpedo-carrying aircraft. Those were unable to locate the target, but a second striking force took off, and by 9.30 p.m. torpedoes had been obtained. The King George V turned at once to close the enemy still more rapidly.

Thick Squall Ghost
As night wore on British destroyers put two or three torpedoes into the Bismarck.

"Throughout the night on the Admiral's bridge we sat, stood, or leaned like a covey of disembodied spirits. It was dark, windy, rainy. None of us will ever know if it hit. About 2 o'clock in the morning cocoa appeared. We drank it gratefully, but it might equally well have been pitch-tar; no one would have noticed. At last daylight, patchy rain squalls, a flickering sun, a tearing wind from the north-west, and a rising sea. A little manoeuvring and then tin hats are put on. The Norfolk appears to the eastward. Enemy in sight 12 miles to the south of me, she says. A little change of course, Rodney opens out to port a little more. Enemy in sight! Well, I couldn't see him. It is the aloft gun director who can see him. And then, veiled in distant rainfall, is a thick, squat ghost of a ship, very broad in the beam, coming straight towards us, end on."

Closing Range
"The Bismarck turned north, steaming about 12 or 14 knots. We kept turning in and out to confuse the enemy range-takers, all the while closing the range rapidly. The Admiral kept on saying 'close the range; get closer; get closer. I can't see enough his!' And so we closed the range. "But although you could not see the hulls they were there right enough. Somewhere about the eighth-salvo there was a fire on the fore'side which seemed to envelop the upper turret, and one observer tells me he saw a huge plate torn away from the tail of it. She turned away, then back, writhing in agony under the most merciless hail of high-explosive armour-piercing shells that any ship has, I suppose, ever faced. There was no escape for the Bismarck—our fellows just went on pumping it out in a steady succession of shattering roars and I soon forgot all about ourselves in the intense interest of watching the Bismarck. Smoke shot up, perhaps in an endeavour to screen herself, but it quickly blew away. And then I noticed her two rear turrets firing at us. There was a sort of shudder somewhere in our stern and I glanced that way for a hit—but there was no sign of it. A little later I heard the first whine of her 15in. shell—it was a straddling shot over our fore'side, one short and three over. I wondered if the next would hit and found myself edging into the doorway at the back of the bridge. It would not have helped very much; it is only splash proof plating, so I stepped forward again to see how the Bismarck was getting along.

Extraordinary Sight
"And an extraordinary sight met my eyes. The action had been going perhaps 20 minutes, some of her secondary armament and certainly two of the great turrets were still firing, perhaps a little wildly, for nobody on our side showed signs of a hit. There, racing across her quarterdeck, were little human figures, one climbed over the wire guard rails, hung on with one hand, looked back, and then jumped into the sea. Others just jumped without looking back at all—a little steady trickle of them jumping into the sea one after another.

"About this time the coppery glow of our secondary armament shells striking the armour-plated works became more and more frequent, and one fierce flame shot up from the base of the bridge structure, enveloping it as high as, and including, the spotting top for a flickering second. Every man there must have been incinerated—there was no smoke, the heat had consumed it. Once I saw evidently a small-calibre shell on fire, for a swift arc of flame shot high into the air and curved over the top of the mainmast.

Last Moments
"She still kept up some speed, but seemed heavy in the water and had a slight list to port. Well, we just shot the guns out of her and left a smoking, lurching black ruin. It made one feel a little sick to see such a mighty, powerful vessel brought to the state of an impotent hulk. Only her slow, wallowing speed seemed still to give her life—and those little jumping figures at the stern. It was like a dog that had been run over; someone had got to finish him off—because her colours were still flying at the mainmast head.

"Our battleships turned away and the Dorsetshire closed in and finished her off with torpedoes. When we were about 10 miles off the hulk turned over to port, floated for a little bottom up, and then with a lift of the bows was suddenly gone. The Dorsetshire stopped, as did the destroyers, to pick up what survivors they could, but the Dorsetshire reported that she had sighted a U-boat between two steep seas, and so they gave it up and cleared off with about a hundred saved."

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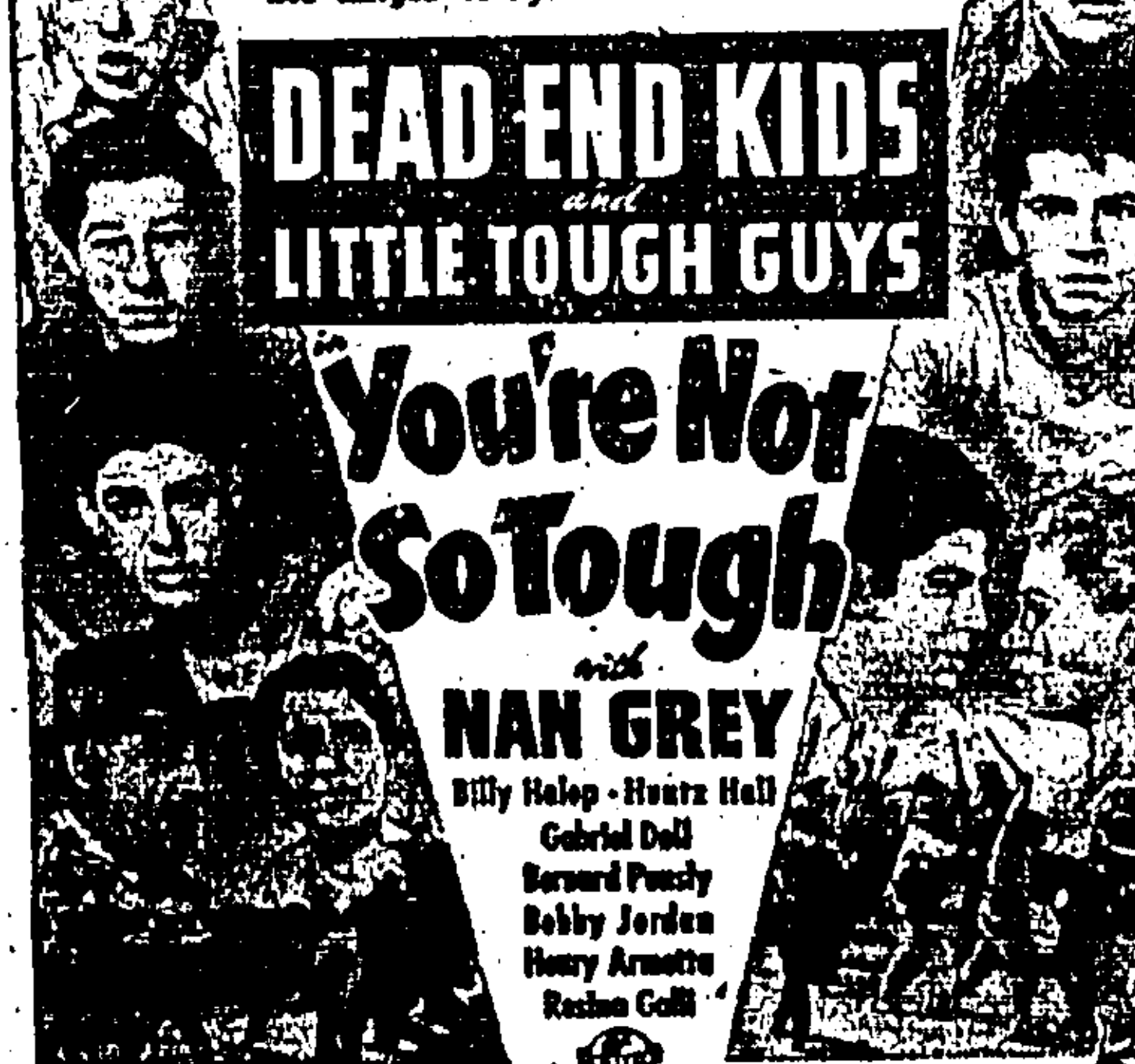
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To Defend Odessa & Tallinn At All Cost

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for fighting, for he knows now that he is up against enemies as elusive as he is hard-hitting.

Lengthening Lines

"Despite the admitted efficiency of the German organization, the growing strain of increasing distance and wear and tear must also be having a cumulative effect."

"Nothing new is reported in the Smolensk and Kiev sectors and the German claims in the Ukraine do not carry one any further than what they asserted yesterday, namely that Russian bridgeheads west of the Dnieper were being assailed."

"It is significant that Russian aviation is still able to carry out raids on Berlin and Rumanian oilfields in addition to co-operational work in spite of repeated German claims, not once but over and over again, to have established complete supremacy in the air."

Jubilant Berlin Reports

BERLIN, Aug. 20 (UP).—The official news agency to-day claims that the Germans have now forced the Red army into a "hopeless Dunkirk situation" at three points—near Tallinn, on Lake Ladoga and at Odessa. The Iron and Rumanian oilfields in addition to co-operational work in spite of repeated German claims, not once but over and over again, to have established complete supremacy in the air."

The agency states that the Soviet catastrophe in Odessa has reached tremendous proportions. "The Luftwaffe there has sunk already more than thirty ships totalling over 170,000 tons. One heavy cruiser and some torpedo boats were destroyed while vainly attempting to protect the transports. These warships were also heavily hit by German bombs. The Russians, encircled at Odessa are finding no way to cross the Black Sea any more. They are also unable to take away their war materials. The German Luftwaffe by day and night are leaving them no possibility of escaping via the Black Sea."

Escape Encirclement

MOSCOW, Aug. 20 (UP).—It is announced that General Ivan Boldin's troops who were encircled by the Germans west of Minsk in July have battled for 45 days through the German lines and have now rejoined the main Red army.

Slovakian Losses

BERLIN, Aug. 20 (UP).—A dispatch from Bratislava to the "Boersen Zeitung" states that the Slovakian Commander in Chief, General Catos, announced that the Slovakian losses thus far are 118 dead, 214 wounded and 17 missing.

High Command Report

BERLIN, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The German High Command from the Fuehrer's headquarters reports: A battle has taken place in an area around and north of Gomel which ended in a heavy defeat for the Soviet forces.

Parts of seventeen divisions of riflemen, one mechanized division, two armoured divisions, five cavalry divisions and two air-borne brigades have been defeated, annihilated or taken prisoner. Into our hands have fallen 78,000 prisoners, 144 tanks, 700 guns and two armoured trains.

German Offensive Analysed

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A big German offensive is thus clearly in progress.

Straighter Line

The Germans are now fighting on a considerably straighter line than some days ago. It runs roughly straight from the Gulf of Finland to Smolensk with an eastward pocket to Novogorod. South from Smolensk, the Germans are clearly trying to follow roughly a line along the Dnieper and for that purpose are attempting to absorb the Russian pocket west of Gomel.

Once established along the greater length of the Dnieper, the Germans clearly hope to establish bridgeheads on the opposite bank through surprise tactics which worked so successfully on the Somme and other French rivers.

In other words, the Germans, whose blitzkrieg smashed itself against Smolensk, are re-trying the blitzkrieg in other directions, especially the Ukraine, despite heavy losses in tanks.

Soviets Need Planes

Although the Russian armies are doing wonders and have not lost air control to the Germans in vital spots, the dispatch from England and America of hundreds of planes is a matter of urgent necessity.

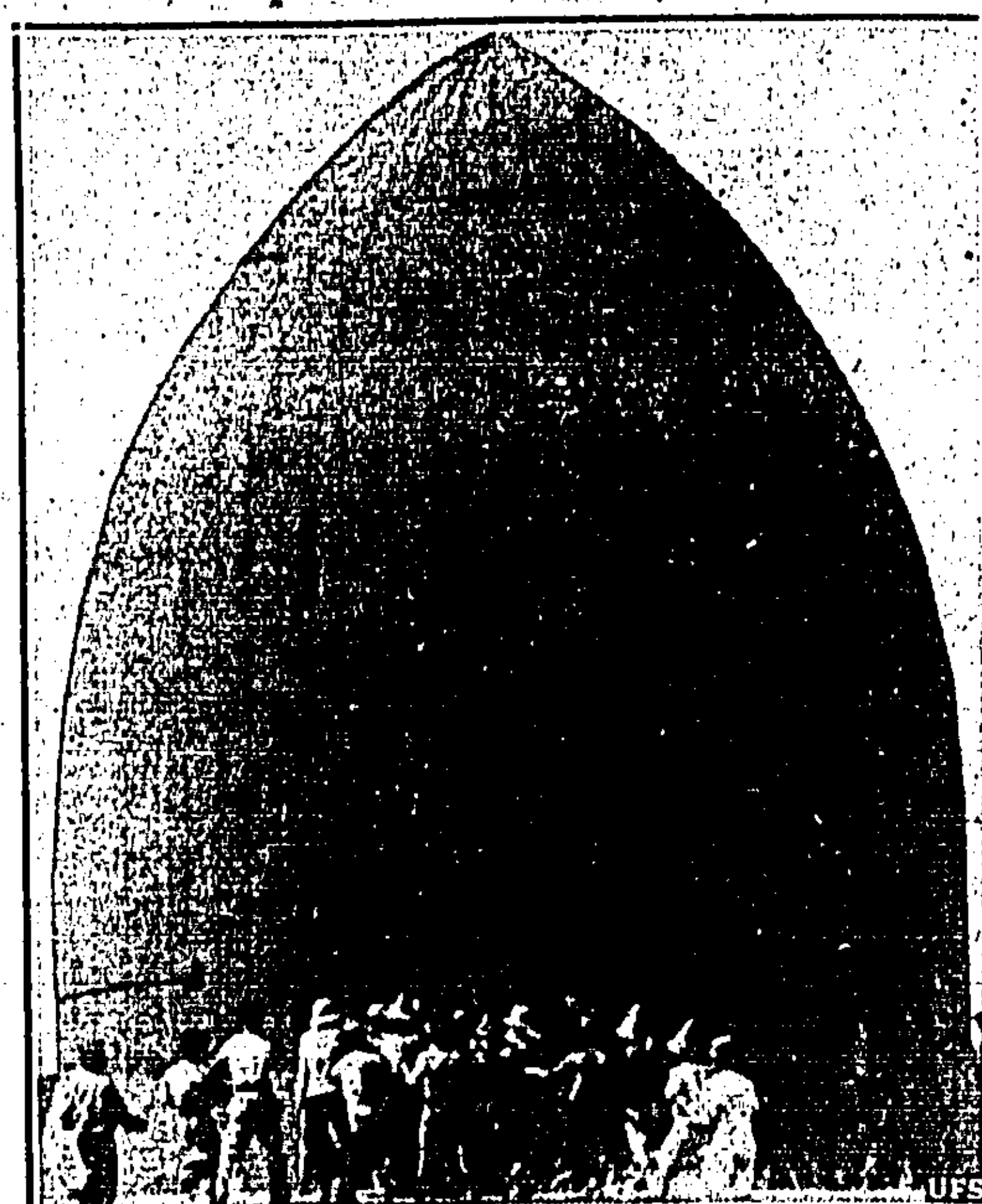
The position in the Dnieper bend is at present obscure. The Germans clearly have a vast ambition to "trap" the Budenny army. The Russians are aware of these German designs. It is certain that the preservation of the army will be the Russians' first consideration even at the loss of important but not indispensable industrial areas, but more reliable news is necessary before the lower Dnieper position becomes cleared.

Thrust At Odessa

It is interesting to observe that the Germans are making a thrust against Odessa which suggests that they greatly dislike the idea of a Russian Tobruk.

In the north section of Novogorod direction a night communique shows that the Germans, while prevented from pushing to the Leningrad-Moscow Railway 40 miles east of Lake Ilmen, are trying the next best thing, namely a northward enveloping push to Leningrad, doubtless with the hope of reaching the railway further north.

In the meantime the push from the Estonian direction also continues.



AIR RAID SHELTER—During a practice air raid alarm in Batavia, Dutch East Indies, natives dash for this new-type shelter. It is in the form of a bullet, designed to shed air bombs. The islands rich in war materials, have their defences ready.

LARGEST WHEAT ORDER

The United Kingdom's Ministry of Food, largest buyer of wheat in the world, has broken its own record with an order for 120,000,000 bushels (about 3,000,000 tons) placed with the Canadian Wheat Board.

The previous largest purchase was of 100,000,000 bushels, ordered by the Ministry last year. The new consignment is to be delivered during the twelve months ending May, 1942.

Reckoning 563 four pound loaves to the ton of wheat and using white flour of 75 per cent, extraction, this will provide Britain with 3,378,000,000 of the two pound loaves her housewives favour.

There will also be 750,000 tons of wheat-feed in the form of bran, middlings and wheat germ meal, for Britain's dairy cows, beef cattle, pigs and poultry.

If the wheat is converted into 65 per cent, extraction national wheat-meal flour, 4,080,000,000 two pound loaves would be produced, but only 450,000 tons would be available for livestock feeding.

As Britain does not at present make more than ten loaves in every hundred from the higher extraction flour, a total of 3,448,200,000 loaves, representing about 9,500,000 tonnes a day for the twelve months, is what Britain will obtain from this order.

No Observers In Occupied France

VICHY, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The German authorities have asked all consular officers to leave Occupied French territory by September 1, according to a Paris dispatch to the Vichy news agency.

Exceptions are expected to be made of certain countries, including the Consuls-General of Argentine, Brazil and Chile but numerous other representatives of the three countries will have to go.

CHINA BREAKS WITH DANES

CHUNGKING, Aug. 20 (Central News).—Dr Quo Tai-chi, Minister of Foreign Affairs, issued a declaration to-day, severing diplomatic relations with Denmark for her recognition of the bogus Nanking regime and "Manchukuo."

Dr Quo's declaration reads: "Following the footsteps and presumably under the pressure of Germany and her partners, Denmark recognised the puppet regimes in Nanking and the four Northeastern provinces. In taking this unjustified step Denmark has put it is highly to be regretted, hesitated to forfeit her friendship of long standing with China. The Chinese Government in line with its fixed policy hereby declares that diplomatic relations between this country and Denmark are forthwith severed."

DJIBUTI IS STILL IN VICHY HANDS

VICHY, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—A Djibuti dispatch to a Vichy news agency to-day states that "British warships have on several occasions in the past few days violated French territorial waters off the coast of French Somaliland."

A British destroyer is stated to have fired on a French fishing vessel off Obok. The message makes no mention of unconfirmed reports from certain sources that British destroyers have penetrated into the Djibuti harbour.

DUKE OF KENT'S VISIT TO U.S.A.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt will be the week-end host of the Duke of Kent at Hyde Park. The President will leave for Hyde Park to-morrow.

Returning with the President on Monday, the Duke will stay at the House and will then inspect defence plants in Norfolk and Baltimore.

AID FOR CHINA DISCUSSED

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duties, that the meeting concerned aid for China.

Unofficial circles conjectured that such aid includes materials such as steel and cement for the Burma road or the parallel railway which is now under construction, and also possibly aviation equipment which Australia is producing on a large scale.

Anti-Nazi Measures In Mexico

MEXICO CITY, Aug. 20 (UP).—A group of Congressmen headed by Senator Joaquin Martinez Chavarria indicated to-day that they would introduce a series of anti-Nazi measures during the September session of Congress, including expropriation of Axis property and consulates, and stronger anti-espionage legislation.

Croatians Arrested

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" ROME, Aug. 20 (UP).—The newspaper "Messaggero" publishes a report from Zagreb saying that the police there have arrested 700 persons on charges of breaking the curfew law. Twenty-three have been sent to concentration camps.

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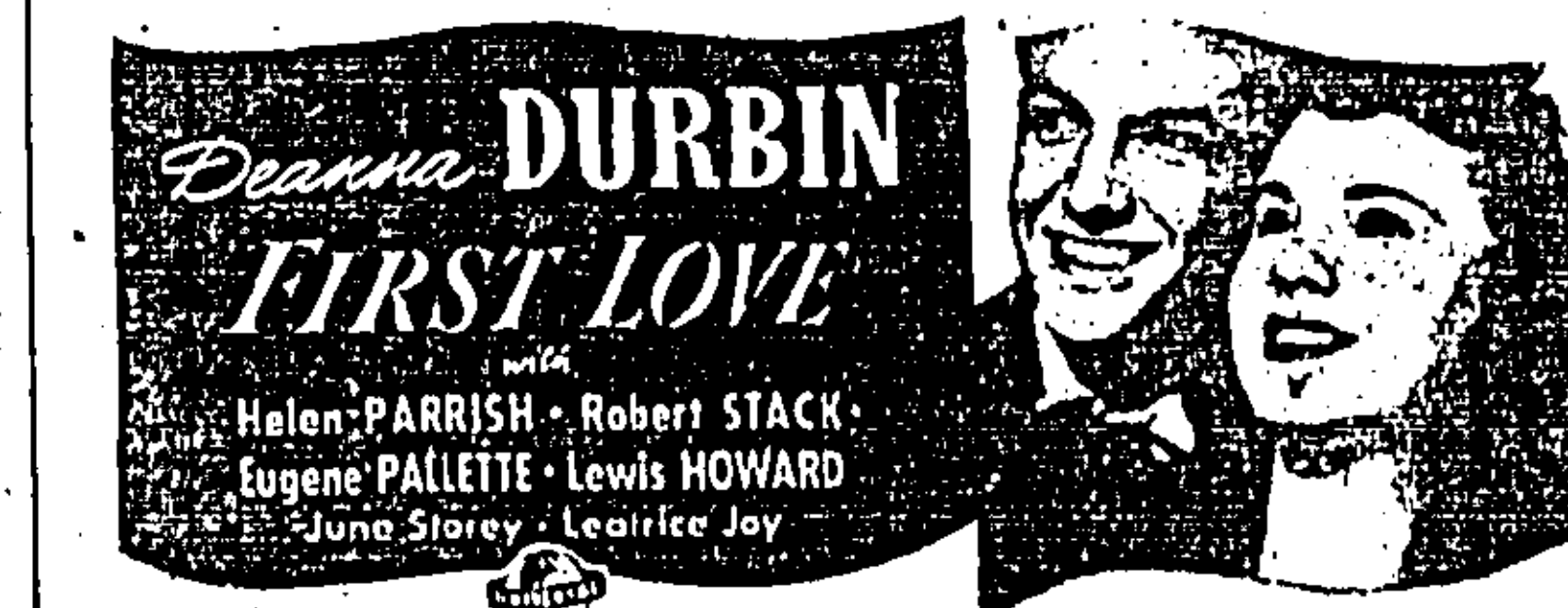
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MOSCOW, AUG. 20 (UP).—WITH TALLINN AND ODESSA SERIOUSLY THREATENED, THE RUSSIANS ARE DETERMINED TO DEFEND THESE TWO CITIES AT ALL COSTS. GUERRILLA AS WELL AS REGULAR TROOPS ARE HARRYING THE GERMANS AND INFLECTING HEAVY LOSSES.

IN ESTONIA, GUERRILLAS SEIZED A BALTIC ISLAND AND ANNIHILATED THE GERMAN OCCUPANTS.

VICHY NOT TO GIVE UP FLEET

Ambassador Assures Mr Cordell Hull

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (UP).—The French Ambassador, M. Henri-Haye, conferred with Mr Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, to-day and said that he had assured Mr Hull that none of Vichy's actions indicated military collaboration with Germany nor the surrender of the French fleet.

He asserted that some newspapers had misrepresented Marshal Petain's speech. The Ambassador showed Mr Hull a collection of United States newspaper cartoons allegedly insulting Petain's character, adding that he had expressed his regrets regarding them but did not protest.

GERMAN BOMBER OVER ICELAND

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

REYKJAVIK, Aug. 20 (UP).—There was a 45 minute air raid alarm beginning at 7 a.m. to-day when a twin-engine German bomber flew over the city and dropped bombs. American built Tenthredine and British fighters pursued the plane but lost it in the clouds.

Cordell Hull

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—Mr Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, at a press conference to-day said that he had heard nothing of a press report that a German plane had flown over Iceland and had been chased off by fighters.

Another Strike

DETROIT, Aug. 20 (UP).—Detroit's vast defence industries employing 750,000 workers are crippled by a transportation strike which has left a large number without means of reaching their work.

No "Unfreezing" Of Japanese Assets

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—There is no question of entering into any barter agreement between Britain and Japan or of "unfreezing" Japanese assets, it was stated in authorised quarters in London to-day.

The banking machinery set up between the Bank of England and the Yokohama Specie Bank will provide for the trading licences to be granted in exceptional circumstances. Each licence will be treated on its own merits from the British supply viewpoint. In each case, supply considerations will be weighed against considerations of economic warfare.

It is pointed out in London that it would be wrong to regard the setting up of machinery for issuing trading licences as an easy in appeasement. The arrangement reached between the Bank of England and the Yokohama Specie Bank does not repre-

General Boldin to-day, describing his escape from German encirclement near Minsk, pointed out that large units can continue to battle successfully and still maintain communication with the main forces.

GIGANTIC BATTLES DEVELOP

NEW YORK, Aug. 20 (UP).—Gigantic new battles have developed on the Russo-German front from Leningrad to the Ukraine, with Hitler apparently endeavouring to attain his major objectives before the advent of winter and a consequent military stalemate.

Berlin claimed that the Russian forces in the Ukraine have suffered a "smashing catastrophe" and forecast the destruction of the major portion of Marshal Budenny's army which is now making an effort to reach the east bank of the Dnieper river midst a ferocious Nazi artillery barrage and aerial attacks.

Prodigious Losses By Germans

What Russian War Has Cost

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—In the first seven weeks of Germany's war with Russia she has lost 1,500,000 men, 8,000 guns and 6,000 planes, declared the Belgian War and Finance Minister, Dr Gutt, broadcasting from London to-night.

"Defeat is on its way for Germany," he declared. "Not only will British and Russian bombers bring disaster over Germany but on the appointed day, Britain will throw men, guns and tanks onto a continent where the Germans, terrified by bombardment of their towns and conscious of the hate of oppressed nations, will lose faith in their leader and themselves as they did in 1918."

The Battle of Britain in September last year caused Germany's defeat, added Dr Gutt, for until Hitler took Britain he had not won the war "just as we shall not have won it until our tanks delve down Unter den Linden and under Brandenburg Tor."

Moscow admitted that the Germans are now developing furious battles against Leningrad's outer defences, while London experts asserted that the battle would develop into one of the war's bloodiest contests.

Paralysing Weather Predicted

Dispatches from Stockholm claimed that Marshal Voroshilov is concentrating 1,500,000 men in the area in which numerous fortifications are in the German path. The German offensive on Leningrad is developing from three directions.

Foreign observers estimate that the Russian armies are essentially intact despite the losses of two months fighting, and they estimate that within another two months, paralysing weather will prevail along the 1,800 mile front.

Slight Nazi Advance

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—Another 24 hours of stubborn fighting along a greater part of the eastern front has been marked by slight German advances in the sector between Kingisepp and Novogrud, but with no result either spectacular or decisive, writes "Annalist" in a military commentary.

"The Russians are everywhere fighting with stubbornness and tenacity, and their morale seems completely unshaken by nearly two months of continuous strain. Whether the vigour of the German offensive is unimpaired after the same strain is known only to the German High Command and the German soldier, but it would be more than human nature for the ordinary infantryman to display the same zest."

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Directs Soviet Defences

Here is one of the latest, and a very striking picture of Marshal S. Timoshenko, Soviet Commissar of Defence, in whose hands is the supreme task of directing the Russian military defences against the Nazi invasion. His bold tactics against the German blitzkrieg are being eagerly studied by foreign military experts.



German Offensive Analysed: Another Change In Tactics

(By "Reuter's" Special Correspondent)

MOSCOW, Aug. 20.—The gigantic nature of the eastern struggle is best realisable when one considers that now the battle is raging not only on this or that sector but on half a dozen vital points simultaneously.

The most vital and maybe the most critical battle is still raging inside the Dnieper bend behind Nikolaiiv and Krivoiirg. But their unfortunate Smolensk, experience seems to have taught the Germans to adopt somewhat different tactics and to use their great mobility—mobility which undoubtedly increased with more or less successful consolidation of their communications—to strike here, there and everywhere not necessarily with any precise immediate objective but to impose on the Russians the necessity to move their troops about.

FUTURE OF CHINA'S CURRENCY

Dollar May Improve

CHUNGKING, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—"Reuter" has been informed that the strengthening of the Chinese dollar has caused heavy sales in the old British Stabilisation Fund.

It is predicted that the Chinese dollar will not fall below the present rate and when the new Fund starts to work, the Chinese dollar may even get stronger.

"Reuter" learns that the new Sino-British-American Stabilisation Fund may start working within a few weeks.

Germans Lose 13 Messerschmitts

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Aug. 20 (UP).—An Air Ministry communique states that a total of 13 Messerschmitts were destroyed during Tuesday's offensive operations.

Fourteen British fighters and three bombers were lost, but four fighter pilots are safe.

BOMBAY, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—Valabhi Patele, chief lieutenant of Mahatma Gandhi, has been released from Poona Gaol on medical grounds.

The battle along this vast area from the Gulf of Finland to the Black Sea may be described as a desperate German attempt to prevent that stabilisation at which the Russians aim.

Whether the Gomel drive is ultimately intended to lend support to the German troops in the Smolensk sector or on the contrary for the southward drive along the left bank of the Dnieper remains to be seen, but it is anyway part of the "all over the place" tactics the Germans are trying out, that is to say, an attempt to prevent effective concentration of the front.

The Germans instead hope for dissemination of the Russian defence.

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American Oil Drought Arrives

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—There is only about ten days' supply of petrol in the eastern states, declared Mr Ralph Davies, United States Deputy Petroleum Co-ordinator, to-day.

The long predicted oil shortage in the east had finally arrived, he said. Describing it as a "perilous situation," Mr Davies said that more drastic measures might be necessary beyond the limited petrol rationing now in operation.

Important Task Of Rushing Aid To The Soviets

(By "Reuter's" Diplomatic Correspondent)

LONDON, Aug. 20.—The main issue before the anti-Axis front to-day is to get help to Soviet Russia in the fullest possible measure with the least possible delay.

This was one of the principal subjects discussed at the historic meeting in the Atlantic between Mr Churchill and President Roosevelt, and it will be the task of the Three-Power meeting shortly to be held in Moscow to tackle the task from a practical and businesslike standpoint.

The fact that no announcement has yet been made regarding the British and American representatives who are to attend the meeting would seem to confirm the belief that Lord Beaverbrook will be the principal British delegate as soon as he can leave his "hustle" campaign in America.

AID FOR CHINA DISCUSSED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (UP).—It is understood in authoritative quarters that Australia and the United States are engaged in diplomatic consultations regarding co-operation with China.

This disclosure followed last night's conferences between Mr Richard Casey, the Australian Minister, Mr Sumner Welles, the Under-Secretary of State, and Mr Laughlin Currie, Administration assistant to President Roosevelt.

Mr Casey and State Department officials declined to discuss the subject of the conferences, but one responsible source said that it was obvious, in view of Mr Currie's TURN to Back Page, Column 5

Special Problems

His vigorous energetic personality will undoubtedly be exceptionally well adapted for dealing with special problems of supply and distribution involved. As the discussions will be practically confined to questions of material and supply, it is not likely that any but service representatives will be present.

It is understood that the American representative will be Mr Averell Harriman, who has been helping forward the working of the Lend-Lease Act so far as it concerns Britain.

Speeding Up

Already there are indications of speeding up of American supplies to Russia in the suggestion that American bombers should be flown from Alaska to Siberia and by long stages to the eastern front.

This would not only save days in transportation but the planes would arrive tuned in for immediate service. The effect of this contribution to the Russian air offensive is too patent to need emphasis.

Free French Army Grows

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The rallying of Vichy Frenchmen in Syria to the Free French forces has increased during the past few days, says an independent French agency message from Beirut.

At one centre in Beirut, an average of 100 men presented themselves daily.

Rallying is also proceeding satisfactorily in Damascus, Rayak and Homs. The rallyers include the majority of officers and men comprising the last reinforcements sent from France.

More Italian Planes Downed Over Malta

CAIRO, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—An R.A.F. Middle East communique states: "A number of Macchi-200's which approached the island of Malta yesterday turned back when engaged by R.A.F. Hurricanes. The fighters chased the enemy aircraft, shooting down three over the south coast of Sicily."

"Heavy R.A.F. bombers attacked the harbour at Tripoli during the night of August 18-19. Bursts were seen on and near the Spanish quay and a number of fires were started."

"Marylands of the South African Air Force bombed and machine-gunned an enemy camp and transport at Ras el Mills yesterday. Bombs burst among the tents and a number of vehicles were set on fire. Reconnaissance aircraft report that the 9,000 ton enemy merchant vessel beached at Lampedusa after being damaged by aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm and the R.A.F. on August 19 was still blazing yesterday."

"Aircraft of the South African Air Force made a heavy attack on enemy positions in the Gondar area, Abyssinia, on August 18. Direct hits were made on the fort at Debarah, where a number of fires were started and on a hangar and depots at Gondar."

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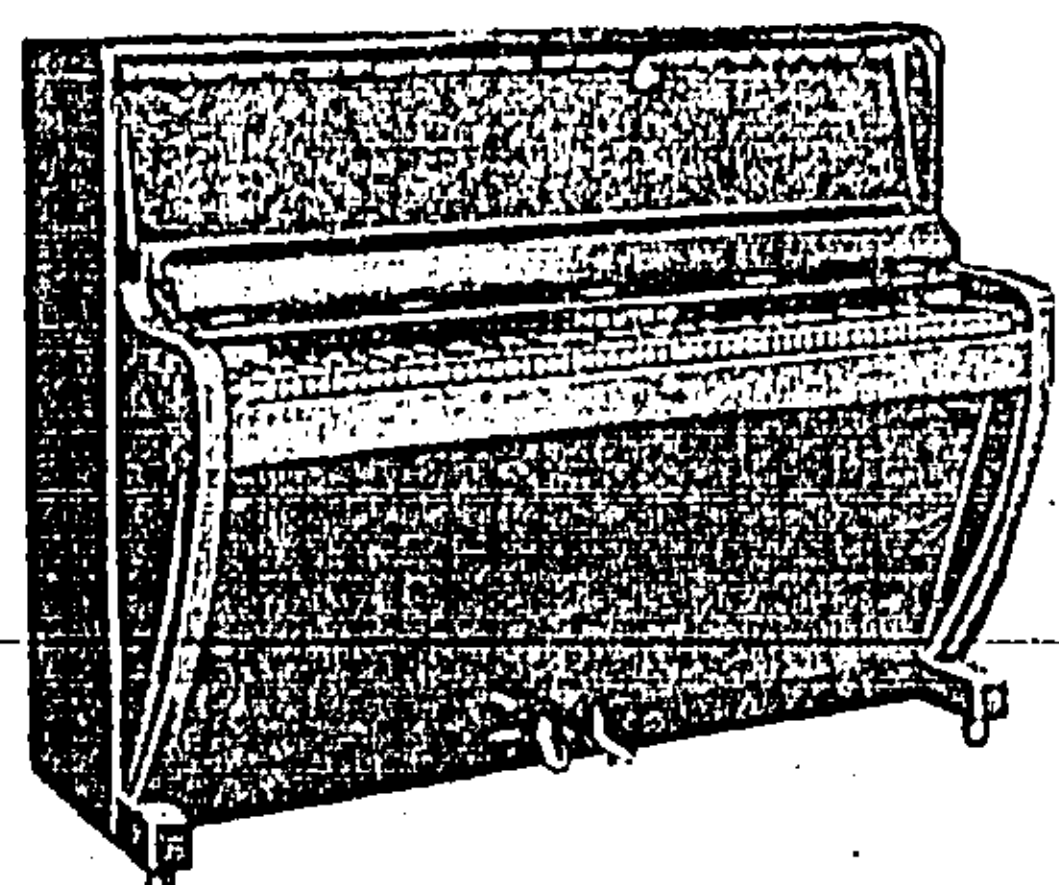
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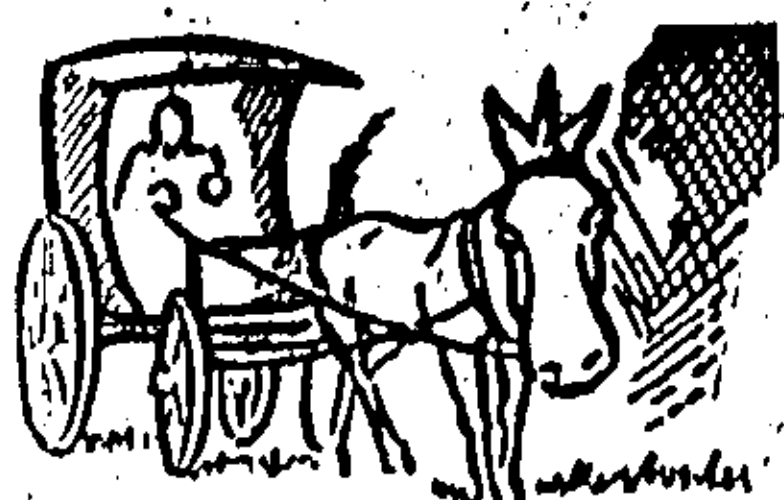
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**WORKERS AND THE WAR
AGAINST HITLERISM**

NOTHING stood out more prominently during the pre-war days of Hitler's regime than the Nazi leader's contempt for and suspicion of organised labour as expressed through the Trade Unions. The liberalism of the Trade Union movement was, and still is, anathema to Hitler who knows only too well that it stands for the abolition of precisely the system which he so vividly represents—dictatorship.

The unanimous front which trade unionism has taken throughout the world, and notably in Britain and her Empire, against Hitler's belligerent programme to dominate firstly Europe, and later on, the world, is therefore hardly surprising, although to the Nazi Fuehrer it must be infuriating, assuming as it does a solid front of the democracies' workers, pledged to destroy the pernicious German system.

Australia's workers are among the latest to voice their determination to this end, and recently the Australasian Council of Trade Unions sent the following cable to the High Commissioner of Australia in London, making clear their position in this struggle against brutal dictatorship: "This Congress recalls and reaffirms the declaration of the New South Wales and Victorian branches of the A.C.T.U., and other sections of the Trade Union Congress of 1940 supporting the war against Hitler and Fascism. We record our uncompromising determination to continue the struggle against the aggressor Powers endeavouring to destroy personal liberty, industrial and political freedom, and the right of collective bargaining and associationship, and therefore pledge the Trade Union Movement to work for the swift and complete victory for the cause of Democracy against aggression and oppression. We affirm that to prevent the possibility of individual profiteering by the war there should be brought about the immediate nationalisation of the arms industries and the utilisation of the nation's credit. We demand a substantial immediate improvement in the standard of life and freedom of speech and assembly. Congress expresses its horror and condemnation at the barbaric and ruthless method by which the forces of Nazism and Fascism are endeavouring to gain world control and domination."

Here is a document which reveals the uncompromising attitude of labour to Hitlerism. This is the voice of the peoples of democracy speaking even more forcibly than through the mouth of any statesman or politician. It is a "fight to the finish" declaration which is being echoed over the world.

**NAZI-SOVIET WAR POSES A
PROBLEM FOR THE FUTURE:**

World Economy Is At Stake

Having by this time digested would destroy every vestige of individualism and nationalism and elementary freedom in the servers of the new war, one is easily whole of Europe.

led into concluding that the whole Democracy, by the way, has found the business was practically unexpected, way of successfully defending herself and that it surely took even the Rus-against revolutionary Communism; she has sians themselves by surprise. All of not discovered, so far, the way of properly which goes to prove that the German defending herself against Nazi militarism. Gestapo did a far better job in get-As a matter of fact, this is the kind of job ting information out of the U.S.S.R. democracy is engaged in, right now. than the Soviet secret police man- Next to the military and ideological aged to secure from the Reich. Re- problem now created by the Russo-German

By
POLYZOIDES

From the strictly racial, historic and psychological view, the Nazi advance into the Baltic areas is certainly a masterpiece of up-to-date strategy. All the way from East Prussia to Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia and clear through to the gates of Leningrad, those areas constitute the hallowed ground of the earliest Teuton advance to the east 700 years ago when the Knights of the Cross and the Knights of the Sword were in flower.

When the writer of these lines was in Koenigsberg, the capital of East Prussia, in 1939, ten days before the war began on September 3, nothing was more pathetic than to see how distressed those East Prussian Germans were over the prospect that the Baltic republics were about to be handed over to Russia under the secret terms of the treaty of that year between Moscow and Berlin. Eventually the deal was sealed and finally consummated. Every German from those republics was moved back to the Reich, abandoning forever his homestead of many centuries and many generations before him.

Everybody thought at the time that the new arrangement was to be lasting, except, of course, Hitler, who was set upon reclaiming those lands as soon as practicable. His legions are now marching back into the old Teuton domains.

While he is thus encouraging the Lithuanians, Latvians and Estonians to expel the Bolsheviks from those lands, Hitler is helping the Finns to make good their losses of 1940 while at the same time he has given Rumania the "go" sign to march into Bessarabia and Bukovina and reclaim the provinces Russia took away from her less than a year ago. Thus in East Europe Hitler now appears as the strange champion of the self-determination of peoples—his policies in Czechoslovakia, Poland and Yugoslavia notwithstanding. The Bolsheviks have few friends over that part of the world.

These truths are not very pleasant, and not very encouraging; but the time has come to face things as they are, and not as we wished them to be.

There are in Eastern Europe two huge armies fighting for the mastery of those areas; but more than that there are two systems and two philosophies of life locked in mortal combat. Neither of them is popular with us; we are opposed to both. And yet we have to help one of them against the other; and there is plenty of evidence to show that we are going to back the Russian horse to the limit, irrespective of consequences.

We are not doing so because we favour Communism; but rather because we feel that Russia, if victorious, will be satisfied with her survival and the continuation of the task of her national and popular redemption; while should Hitler win, he



**He is
head of
Russia's
armies**

THE generalissimo of the Red armies who directs the war against Germany as Defence Commissar is Marshal Semyon Timoshenko, a soldier of 27 years' experience. His military training began as a private in the Czar's forces in 1914 and reached top army ranking on May 8, 1940, when he replaced Marshal Klementi E. Voroshilov as Defence Commissar.

There is an Alger-like touch to the life of Timoshenko. Last year he returned to his native village of Farnanovka and was hailed as home town people everywhere might welcome a local boy who made good. Wearing the brilliant uniform of a Soviet marshal, he kissed his old boyhood friends and embraced his brother, a labourer who wore the rough homespun clothes of a poor man.

After the close of the Finnish war early last year it was revealed that Marshal Timoshenko had led the Red troops in the northern campaign. He also commanded troops who met the Germans at the close of the war in Poland in the fall of 1939.

Timoshenko is known as a cavalry specialist. He fought beside Josef V. Stalin in the defence of Tsaritsyn (now Stalingrad) and he rode with the cavalry of Semyon Budenny, in the dash into Poland in 1920.

The Red army purge of June, 1937, brought the name of Timoshenko to the forefront. Following the execution of eight Red military leaders, he was named commander of the North Caucasus military corps area. This district at the time was considered one of the most important. It long had been a battleground and some of the most important contests of the civil war were fought in this area.

Users being sent to the North Caucasus, Timoshenko served in the Kiev district as chief assistant to Gen. Jonas E. Yakir, one of the leaders executed in 1937. Prior to that he had been assistant commander of the White Russian district under Gen. Jeremy Uborevich, who also was executed.

The Red army generalissimo wears the highest decorations. He is a Hero of the Soviet Union and holds the Order of Lenin. Both these honours were bestowed for his leadership in the Finnish and Polish campaigns.

Timoshenko has been a Communist Party member since 1919 and served on the Party's central committee in White Russia and the Ukraine.

He was born 46 years ago in Bessarabia, the son of a peasant. His younger brother, Edm, is a worker.



HOPE IN RUSSIA

Best Of Manpower For Task

MONTREAL, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—“A road to victory must be blazed through the air. Men who open that road and journey along it must be the best, bravest and bravest of this and other Commonwealth of Nations.”

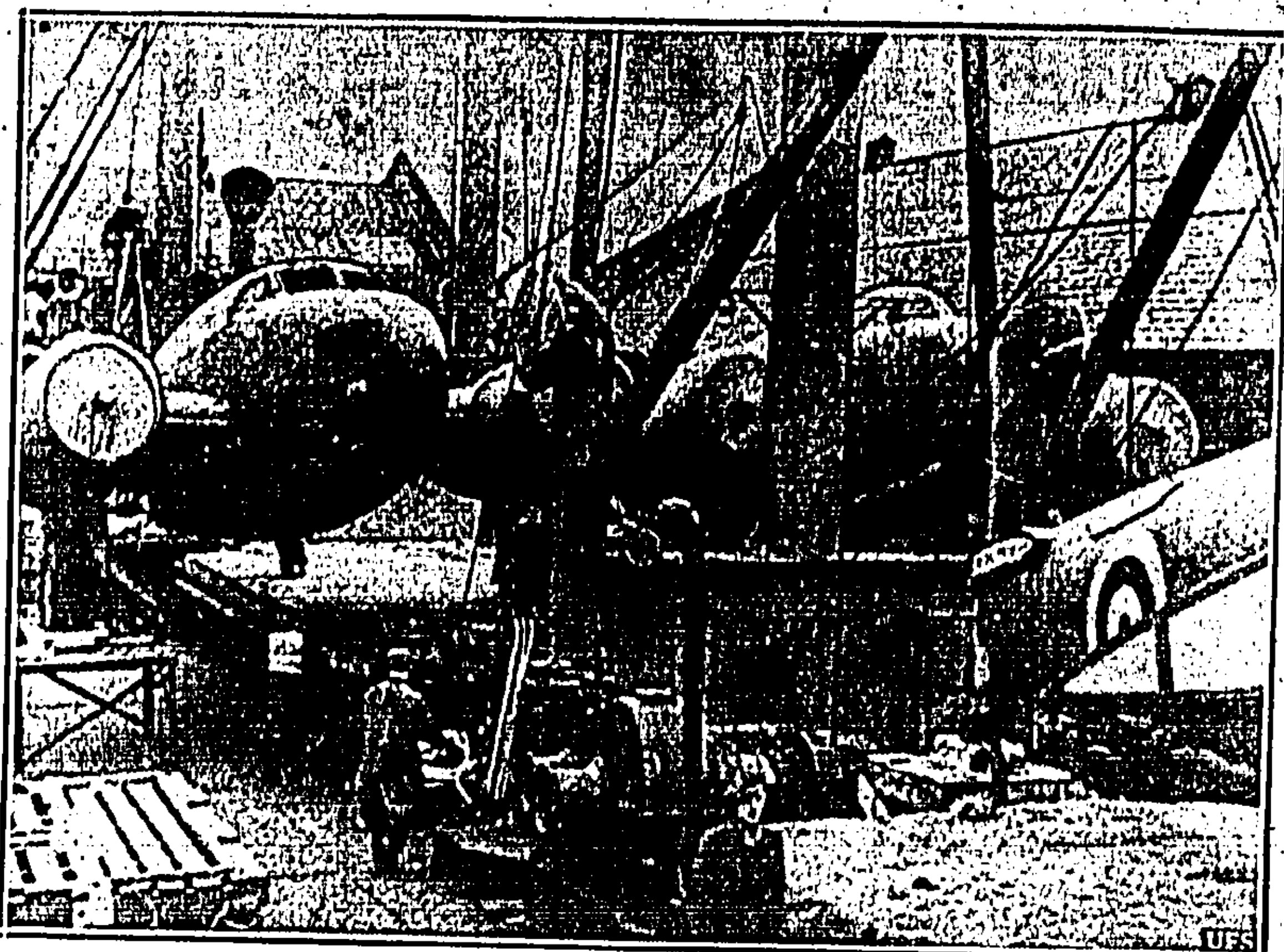
Thus the Canadian Air Minister, Mr. C. G. Power, referred to the Empire Training Scheme in a speech at a luncheon in Montreal.

Without giving figures, Mr. Power said: “It has been found that given the originally planned number of schools, aircraft and staff, we can produce a 30 per cent. higher output than originally anticipated.”

(When the plan was first announced in autumn, 1939, it was unofficially estimated that the output might be 25,000 airmen a year.)

Gigantic Enterprise
Mr. Power described the plan as the “most gigantic enterprise ever attempted by a people with a population of 12,000,000,” and declared that a thousand Canadian airmen were overseas now and “many times more” would be sent overseas before the war was ended.

“Canada’s share of the air war is a heavy one. Our people’s burden will be greater as more crews of Canadian youth come forward to be trained to blast their way to victory.”



SAFELY OVER—Arriving at docks in unnamed British port is this cargo of American-made bombers, after safe crossing of Atlantic. They’ll be put into service against Hitler’s forces, either on coastal patrol or perhaps for night bombing raids over French and German invasion ports.

Photo by Associated Press

Beaverbrook After Supply Concessions

NEW YORK, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—One of the chief points Lord Beaverbrook is now discussing with President Roosevelt, according to the Washington correspondent of the “Wall Street Journal,” concerns British payments for defence orders contracted for prior to the Lease-Lend arrangements entering into force.

The “Journal” says that it is reliably reported that Lord Beaverbrook has asked that the United States should take over all the existing British contracts, understood to involve \$1,500,000,000.

Treasury Plan
WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—It is learned authoritatively that the United States Treasury Department is co-operating with British officials to relieve Britain’s dollar position and is working on a plan whereby the United States Government would assume outstanding payments under the Lease-Lend Act on a certain percentage of orders contracted for by the British before the adoption of the Act.

However, it is stressed that the proportion of such payments to be taken over by the United States is not yet fixed, and was informed that the quarters are inclined to feel that the report in the “Wall Street Journal” that the United States Government would take over one-third of such payments is exaggerated.

Food Purchased
WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The Agriculture Department announced the purchase of 1,320,000 pounds of American cheese, 5,580 cases of eggs, 2,104,000 pounds of dried pears, of which the bulk, it is understood, will be exported to Britain.

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“Y” Hockey Club Meeting Officers Elected

Mr. V. M. Benwell, Chairman and Captain of the European Y.M.C.A. Hockey Club, was elected at the annual meeting yesterday.

Mr. E. W. Ballton, Secretary, said the war was the dominating factor of the year and was responsible for great extent for the uncertainty of individual appearances.

The 71 games played, resulted: First and XI—Played 42, won 10, drew 9, lost 10. Second XI—Played 29, won 10, drew 9, lost 10.

Opening Games
The opening of the season will be held the third week in September with practice matches. Two games will be played every Saturday and at least one during the week. If the Hongkong Hockey Association decides to run a side-side tournament distinct from the Y.M.C.A. tournament, the committee will enter.

Basketball
League Games Result As Expected
Two basketball matches in the Wu Te-hoey Cup came out as expected when the strong South China quintette overwhelmed Youths 46-31 and National University defeated Resident Union 45-29 last night.

Although the matches were not predicted to be closely contested, University, much to their surprise, met a dark horse and were fully extended. In the first half alone, the scores were deadlocked twice and the score at the interval stood at 21-15 in favour of the winners.

The second half saw Union hoopers catching up and in less than five minutes they tied the score at 24 but the deadlock was short-lived for Varsity sank four consecutive goals.

Too Strong
South China proved too strong for Youths and the score was at no time close. The score at the interval was 20-13.

National University—Chan Shu-juk (14), Chan Sun-kau (13), Yip Fai-lung (10), Yu Shi-lung (2), Cheng Yik-tong (2), Yu Shi-yin (4).
Residents Union—Nai Wing-kwong (2), Chan Yung-sang (10), Lai Puk-ai (3), Lee Chun-ching (5), Chan Yip-sau (3), Yu Kwok-pun (6).
South China—Shek Chun-eh (11), Cheng Yik-kwan (4), Chung Lin (11), Ng Siun-chiu (5), Shek Chun-tat (5), Chiu Kiu-min (4).
Youths—Tsin Sip-kong (7), Tsin To (9), Lee Chek-man (2), Yun Koh-chi (7), Lee Kan-ching (6).

Nazi Envoy In Disgrace

Recall From Argentine

BUENOS AIRES, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—It is reported, but without confirmation, that the German Ambassador Herr von Thiermann and the senior staff of the Embassy here have been recalled by Berlin.

The Ambassador will be succeeded by Herr von Levetzow, Councillor in Rio de Janeiro.

Herr von Thiermann’s recall is said to be due to recent blunders.

Gestapo Index
BUENOS AIRES, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—A Gestapo index containing the names of 3,000 prominent anti-Nazi Argentines, has been discovered by the Chamber of Commerce Investigating Committee in one of 83 parcels brought to Argentina recently by the Japanese vessel Nana Maru.

It will be remembered that the parcels contained propaganda matter consigned “for personal use” to the German Embassy.

Canadians In Britain

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—A further contingent of the Canadian army has arrived safely at a British port—living proof that Germany is losing the battle of the Atlantic.

The contingent includes ordnance, army service corps, heavy anti-aircraft and field ambulance units.

The same convoy also brought to Britain men of the Belgian army.

‘Allied Olympics’ In London

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—Special “O” emblems will be distributed among spectators at a minor “Allied Olympics” athletic meeting being held in London on Saturday.

The Services, Civil Defence and Civilians will be represented among the entries received from Belgians, Poles, Frenchmen, Netherlands, Czechs and Englishmen.

Thai Appointments

SPECIAL TO THE “TELEGRAPH”
BANGKOK, Aug. 20 (UP).—It is officially gazetted that Lieutenant General Luang Bomyodhi has been appointed Minister of Defence; Major Luang Kowitabhinawon, Minister of Communications; General Probhoribhanyudhakitti, Minister of Probhoribhanyudhakitti, Minister of Education.

Ship Bombed In Portuguese Waters

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—Three German aircraft violated neutral waters recently to attack a Portuguese ship as she was lying off a Portuguese port waiting to enter.

The attack occurred at a point off the land frontier of Portugal and Spain and well within territorial limits. Because of this, the crew of the British ship were taken by surprise, believing that the approaching planes must either be Portuguese or Spanish but the aircraft attacked, dropping one bomb which fell near the ship and raking her with machine-gun fire.

Fortunately there were no casualties.

Desert Warfare

CAIRO, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—A Middle East communiqué states that in Tobruk a heavy dust storm has restricted activity. There was some enemy shelling.

In the frontier area, enemy motor transport were damaged by our artillery fire.

Palestine Pound

DAMASCUS, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The value of the Palestine pound has been fixed in Syrian money at 800 piastres 125 centimes, by the Director-General of Economic Services. It has recently been over ten Syrian pounds on the free market.

Signals Win Relay

Hongkong Signal Company won the Small Units relay yesterday in the Army Foot when they beat 7th A.A. with 22nd Fortress Engineers third.

Second Soccer Lecture

The second soccer lecture, confined to Laws Nos. 4, 5, 6 and 7 will be delivered by Mr. Hugh A. Beard, Chairman of the Football Referees’ Association at Scandal Point Hall at 7 p.m. to-day.

Iran Reply Awaited

SPECIAL TO THE “TELEGRAPH”
LONDON, Aug. 20 (UP).—It is learned here that Tcherin has promised to reply within a few days to the Anglo-Soviet notes which were delivered last Saturday. Authoritative sources stated, “The day is near when we should have a reply.”

EMPIRES STAND TOGETHER

Dutch Minister’s Declaration

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The community of interest between the British and Netherlands Empires was the theme of an address given by Dr. J. M. Welter, the Netherlands Minister for the Colonies, at a luncheon in London to Lord Moyne, the British Colonial Minister.

Dr. Welter said: “It is as well that we two great colonial Powers should stand together and face the future shoulder to shoulder, for it is a sure thing that even our well-tempered experience in colonial affairs and our resourcefulness will be severely taxed by the exigencies of post-war economic and other problems which are bound to follow in the wake of this world-wide conflict.”

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“I am sure, therefore, that however exacting the challenge of the future for our two nations may be, we shall meet it with a confidence inspired by the history of our past achievements.”

STOCK EXCHANGE PROFIT-TAKING

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange to-day continued to be firm generally with most sections tending to be higher despite light profit-taking.

Home-rails were again the main feature with moderate further advances while full-edged holdings were firmly held.

Among industrials, textiles, especially Bradford stocks, were again good, as also were breweries, rayon and motors, but tobacco and shipping were reactionary.

Kaffirs maintained their levels, oils were a shade harder and rubbers were not affected by the “increase.”

JUSTICE MURPHY MAY RESIGN

SPECIAL TO THE “TELEGRAPH”
WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (UP).—Unconfirmed reports are again being circulated that Mr. Justice Frank Murphy of the Supreme Court is resigning from the Court to accept a Cabinet post. The report is based partly on the delay in naming a successor for Mr. Robert Jackson as Attorney General.

Mr. Francis Biddle, Solicitor General, is supposed to be favoured for the Cabinet post but Justice Murphy’s name is being mentioned for it.

IMPORTANCE OF BASES IN EIRE

NEW YORK, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—Mr. Frank McDermott, the Eire Senator, who arrived here by Clipper to-day, declared that it was essential for the future of Ireland that Britain should not be defeated and added: “Lack of air and naval bases in Ireland might make the difference between victory and defeat for Britain in the Battle of the Atlantic.”

SECRET SESSION AT CANBERRA

CANBERRA, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—At the conclusion of Mr. Menzies’ speech, Parliament went into a secret session which lasted six hours.

The Government and Labour Parties to-morrow will discuss Mr. Menzies’ proposed trip to London. It is considered unlikely that Labour will agree.

JERUSALEM, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The Military Academy at Baghdad will be re-opened by the Iraqi Government, according to a message received here.

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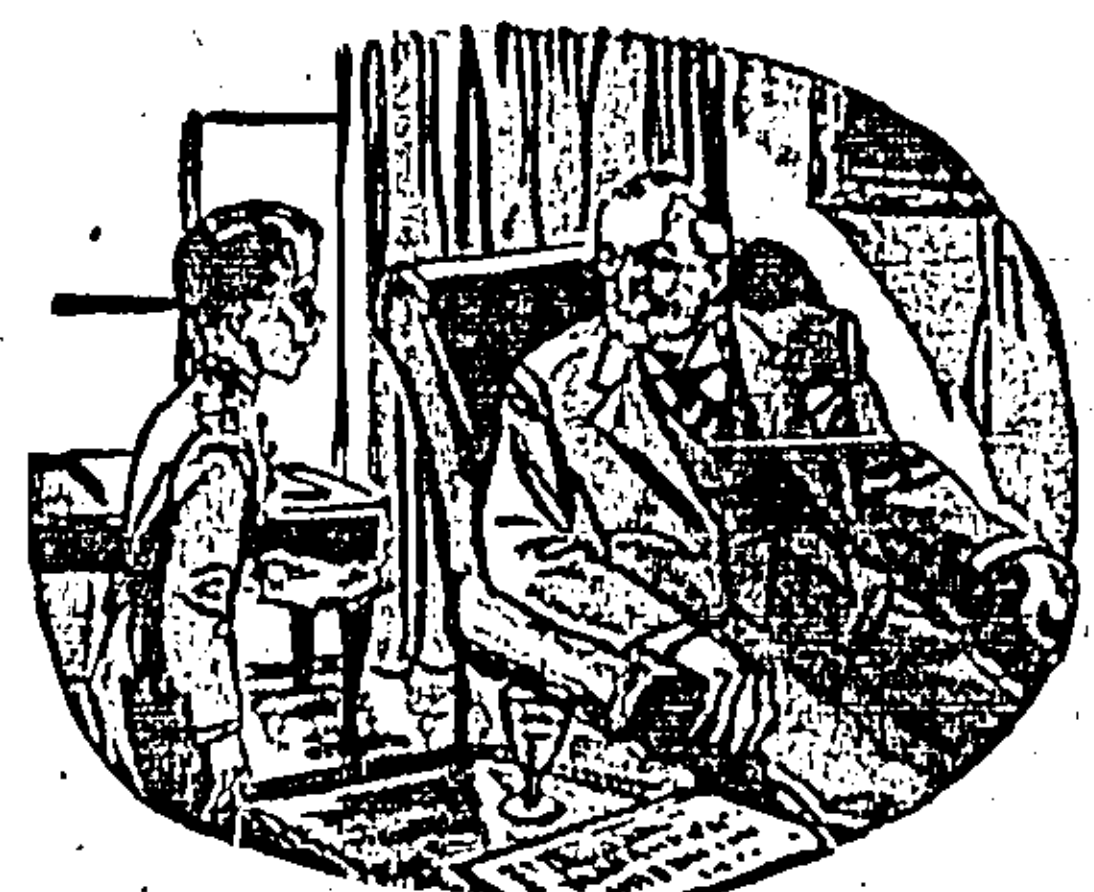
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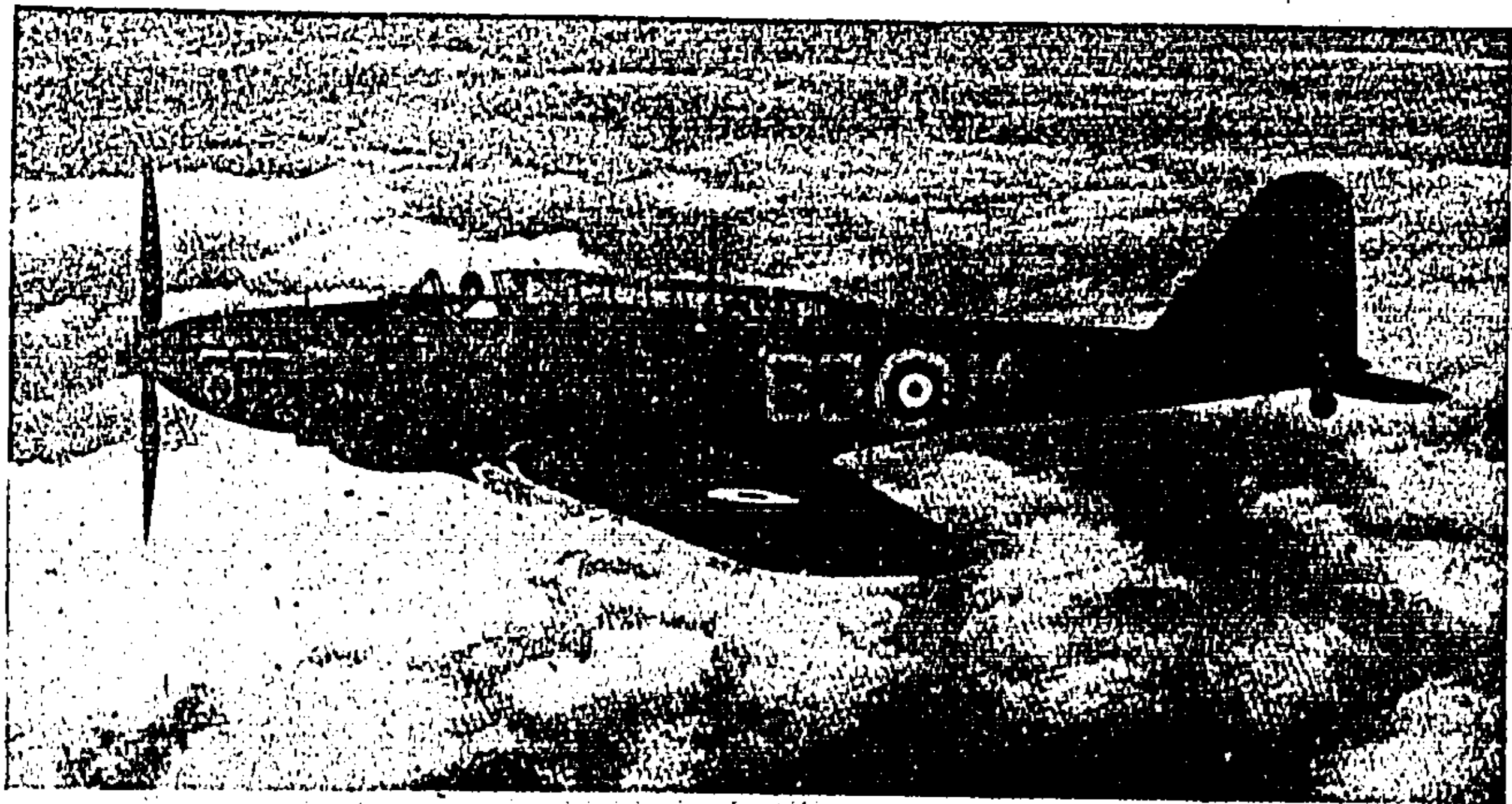


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"WICK'S" BOWLS NOTES



Left — U. M. Omar, the brilliant Craigengower skip, who carried his rink to victory over the club-mates skipped by C. S. Rosset in the Championship rinks game at the Kowloon F.C. last Sunday.
Right — K. M. Omar taking the directions of his elder brother, A. M. Omar and B. W. Bradbury (of the winning rink) and R. Zass (Rosset's rink), standing behind — Ming Yuen.



Senior Struggle To Avoid Relegation

Prospects of Promotion for Kowloon F.C. and Kowloon B.G.C.

U. M. Omar Brilliantly Carries Rink to Victory

THE ONLY FAULT one can find with these clean-sweep victories of Craigengower C.C. in the First Division is that they leave every other team out in the cold as far as the championship is concerned. The only interest in this section centres on the bottom teams' attempts to avoid relegation, and although Kowloon B.G.C. "B" are at the moment occupying the cellar position, several other clubs are not yet out of the wood.

In the Second Division, Kowloon Football Club shot out to the front last week as the result of their own 4-1 victory over Hongkong Cricket Club, and the surprising lapse of Kowloon Tong who, at Taikeo, were beaten on all three rinks. The Footballers are now five points ahead—a lead which may make all the difference to their championship aspirations.

In the Third Division, Kowloon B.G.C. seem to be sitting pretty. Their nearest rivals, Indian R.C., fell down badly last week against Club de Recreio at King's Park, and are definitely out of the running.

The only team that appear to have any chance of overhauling the Bowling Green in this division are the Police, who are moving up slowly but surely in the League Table.

THOSE who saw the quarter-final match between the rinks led by U. M. Omar and C. S. Rosset must have been pleased that they were there, for they saw "U.M." on one of his best days. And only those who have seen him at his best know what that means.

I have heard it said that his two younger brothers and B. W. Bradbury, the other members of his rink, rely too much on him.

Not having seen his other matches this season, I cannot say whether or not this is true; but I can say without reservation that "U.M." in the semi-final and final can reproduce the same form that he showed last Sunday, Bradbury and the younger Omar have nothing to worry about.

The four rinks left in the semi-finals are: W. McLeod, W. B. Harris, W. S. Dail and J. Shepherd; A. M. Omar, K. M. Omar, B. W. Bradbury and U. M. Omar; L. Sykes, W. McNeill, R. Duncan and A. J. Hall; J. Hoosen, A. M. Rumjahn, A. R. Dallah and M. R. Abbas.

At the time of writing, there has been no announcement as to when the draw will be made, but I understand that the semi-finals will not be played for some time.

IN the League match between Craigengower C.C. and Kowloon B.G.C. "B", the only thing of note was the hard hit U. M. Omar, without R. Duncan's No. 3, had to retain his 100 per cent. record.

Drawn against L. Sykes, who was skipping in place of Percy Peckham, Omar only managed to win by three shots after being all square at 10-10 in the 18th head. Sykes, given good support by his front men, nearly pulled off what many an experienced skip has failed to do this season.

AT Sookunpoo, Club de Recreio "A" had little difficulty in taking four points from the Indians. It would have been a much better game had the Indians been at full strength, but with two novices taking part, the result was a foregone conclusion.

A. R. Dallah was the only Indian skip to win. His front men, D. M. Khan, A. K. Ismail and J. Hoosen, played brilliantly especially after tea—when they scored 10 shots in eight consecutive heads—and Dallah himself showed more confidence than he had done for some time.

The result was that J. A. Alves, the opposing skip, was always up against it.

It was just as well for the Portuguese rink that J. E. Noronha, No. 3 to Alves, was in great form for had it not been for him the Indians would have won by a wider margin on this rink.

Although he himself played one of his best games this season, A. K. Minou had to bow to defeat by seven shots.

But then his front men were not at their best and he had to contend

Home Soccer To Aid Red Cross Fund

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—An attractive programme of international and representative matches has been arranged by the Football Association, and the Red Cross should receive substantial funds from the proceeds.

Seventeen matches have been arranged, including meetings between full international sides of England and Scotland at Wembley and Hampden, and two matches between England and Wales.

The Services are fully entered for in several Army V.R.A.F. clashes that have been scheduled, while a match between the Army in Scotland and the Army in England will virtually be another full international match since it is practically certain that nearly all players will be internationalists.

New Swimming Record

Berne, Aug. 20. Ragnarild Hveger, famous 20-year-old Danish swimmer who has held many world records during the past few years, today broke his own 800 metres free style of 11 minutes 11.7 seconds which has stood since 1936, returning 10.52.5—Reuter.

with F. X. Soares, R. F. Luz and F. V. V. Ribeiro on the opposite side and lastly C. Roza-Pereira, who had charge of the rink.

The third Recreio rink, J. A. Luz, C. E. Marques, L. F. Xavier and J. F. V. Ribeiro were far too good, men for man, for the I.R.C. four led by M. R. Abbas and their 15-shot margin of victory just about represented the difference between the two rinks.

CIVIL Service C.C., who are one of the teams in danger of relegation, did very well to beat Kowloon Ducks by two rinks to one at Hung-hom.

M. N. Rakusen, who has done so well for them this year, won his seventh consecutive match and with W. J. Burling beating F. Cullen by 14 shots, victory was assured.

The four points the Civil Servants obtained in this match have given them 2½ points lead over Kowloon B.G.C. "B" but the League programme has yet nearly a third way to go, and anything may happen in between.

IN the Third Division, Kowloon B.G.C., although down on two rinks, were up on aggregate, thanks to C. Wallis' rink, who beat E. S. Abraham's four by 10 shots, easily covering the deficit of the other two rinks.

But though the K.B.G.C. have a substantial lead and the Indians have dropped out of the running, they have to be careful about the Police, who are making a last-minute spurt.

Last week, the Police made a clean sweep of Craigengower C.C. and their form at the moment is so good that they are regarded now as the strongest challengers in this section.

THE Indians had a happy time at the Club de Recreio last week as regards entertainment—they had a fine dinner and then were guests at the horse-racing at the Recreio—but from the point of view of bowls, they were well out of it.

It has been suggested by a wag at the Sookunpoo club that after all the hospitality lavished on them by their hosts, the Indians did not have the heart to walk away with the points as well.

Swimming

European "Y" Championship Heats To-morrow

European Y.M.C.A. swimming championships will be held on August 26, 28 and 30, at 8 p.m. on the first two nights and 9 p.m. on the final night.

Heats will be held for the 50 yards to-morrow and the 100 yards on August 26. To-morrow's heats are: Heat 1—C. Goldman, B. S. Wilson, A. F. May, Heat 2—D. Hutchinson, R. Goldman, E. A. Roberts, I. Larson, Heat 3—E. F. Paul, G. Arnold, N. D. Booker.

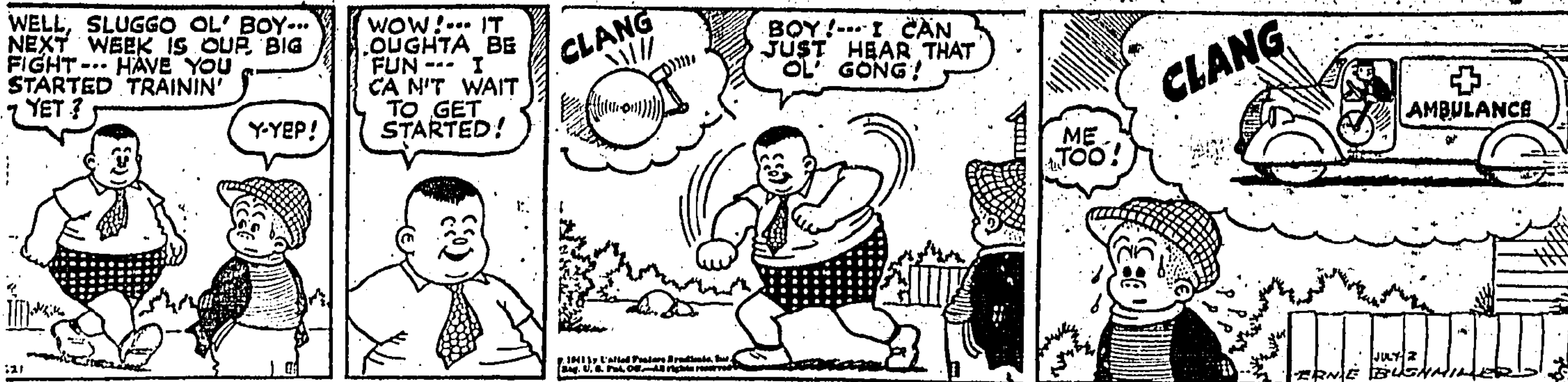
The first in each heat and the fastest second will qualify. Heats for the 100 yards are: Heat 1—B. S. Wilson, D. de Van Twiddle, D. Hutchinson, Heat 2—E. F. Paul, N. D. Booker, A. F. May, E. F. Paul, N. D. Booker.

Following are the entries: 220 yards—E. F. Paul, E. A. Roberts, A. F. May, N. D. Booker, L. A. Benn, Heat 3—50 yards—R. Larson, G. Saunders, N. D. Booker, Heat 4—100 yards back-stroke—D. S. Wilson, F. Willis, E. A. Roberts.

August 28. 50 yards final. 100 yards breast-stroke—W. S. Gegg, W. B. Ure, D. Hutchinson, 50 yards back-stroke—B. S. Gegg, W. S. Gegg, F. Willis, E. A. Roberts, Heat 4—440 yards—A. F. May, A. D. Pepper, L. A. Benn.

August 30. 100 yards free-style. Throwing the polo-ball—W. B. Ure, C. Goldman, R. Goldman, E. F. Paul, A. F. May, Heat 5—100 yards—R. Larson, G. Saunders, N. D. Booker, Heat 6—50 yards breast-stroke—W. S. Gegg, F. Willis, D. Hutchinson, Heat 7—50 yards back-stroke—B. S. Gegg, F. Willis, E. A. Roberts, Heat 8—50 yards—R. Larson, G. Saunders, N. D. Booker, Heat 9—100 yards—R. Larson, G. Saunders, N. D. Booker, Heat 10—100 yards back-stroke—D. S. Wilson, F. Willis, E. A. Roberts, Heat 11—100 yards—R. Larson, G. Saunders, N. D. Booker, Heat 12—100 yards back-stroke—D. S. Wilson, F. Willis, E. A. Roberts, Heat 13—100 yards—R. Larson, G. Saunders, N. D. Booker, Heat 14—100 yards back-stroke—D. S. Wilson, F. Willis, E. A. Roberts, Heat 15—100 yards—R. Larson, G. Saunders, N. D. Booker, Heat 16—100 yards back-stroke—D. S. Wilson, F. Willis, E. A. Roberts, Heat 17—100 yards—R. Larson, G. Saunders, N. D. Booker, Heat 18—100 yards back-stroke—D. S. Wilson, F. Willis, E. A. 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Making Russians Anti-Gas

MOSCOW, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—A campaign is now in progress to inform the Soviet people how to deal with gas and other means of chemical warfare. As in Britain in the early days of the war, many decontamination squads are holding practice tests.

Trained speakers and heads of A.R.P. house committees can be seen in numerous little courtyards in Moscow lecturing to the inhabitants in blocks of flats on how to protect themselves from gas.

Leaders and other articles in the Press urge the need for people to take their own measures for defence. They warn that the enemy is prepared to resort to any measure to ensure victory.

A New Crime
In an article in to-day's "Pravda" the Major-General of technical troops M. Melnikov, writes that "not long ago the whole world learned with horror that Nazism was secretly preparing for a new crime—the extensive use of poisonous substances in the war against the Soviet Union. We are aware that the enemy is preparing to apply a combination of poisonous substances with asphyxiating, smarting and blistering effects. "A chemical attack, however, is only a real danger when there is no knowledge of the methods of defence." He goes on to urge the formation of special anti-chemical squads in every town, village, factory, farm and railway station.

British Air Raid Policies

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The disclosures made recently by the Air Ministry of the actual numbers of aircraft engaged in attacks on Germany have, it is learned in London, given considerable satisfaction to the Russians who are now able more fully to appreciate the extent to which the R.A.F. is assisting them. It was also stated that although recent Air Ministry communiques have in some cases disclosed higher numerical losses of aircraft during operations over Germany, the ratio of losses to the number of aircraft engaged has not increased over the last two or three months. The Air Ministry will continue their policy of announcing the actual number of aircraft engaged in these operations from time to time in order that the world may be able to appreciate the extent of the British western offensive.

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Giving The Soldier An Interest In Affairs

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—"Their's not to reason why, their's but to do and die" will no longer apply to the British soldier.

The Balaclava attitude, epitomised in Tennyson's lines, was swept away by a War Office announcement to-day that it has been decided to set up an Army Bureau of Current Affairs.

The idea is to enable officers to tell their men in training time who they are fighting and to keep them abreast of events, policies and personalities of the world at war. In other words the ideal soldier of to-day will match up to Cromwell's famous definition of the citizen soldier as one "who must know what he fights for and loves what he knows."

Topical Discussion
It is proposed that two or three times a week, officers will collect their platoons and outline selected topics of the day, answer questions and encourage discussion.

General Sir John Dill, Chief of Imperial General Staff, writes: "Interest in current affairs, including events of war, induces confidence; confidence is of ingredients of unshakable morale."

A bulletin dealing with military affairs and world topics respectively will be issued to all officers on alternate weeks as material for talks. The Army Bureau Service will also supply information, film, photographs and radio digest for troops abroad, travelling exhibitions and a panel of special speakers.

Enforcing Discipline On Poles

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—A further example of the Germans' savage treatment of Poles is reported by the Berlin correspondent of the "Dagens Nyheter."

Quoting a report from a German commander, he states that a "Communist" band fired on a German military car in the village of Skala (Poland). Finding "proof" of complicity in the fact that the villagers did not warn the gendarmes, the Germans destroyed the whole village by fire, shot many villagers and hanged 50 so-called Communists.

Three Men Injured This Morning

An affray in a tea house, the Ling Nan, on Sa To Road, Kowloon City, ended with three Chinese men in hospital. They are Chu Shing, 27, Lai Cheuk, 25, and Kwun Chung, 24. The information so far available is that an argument broke out, one man used a chopper on the other two and then tried to commit suicide with the same weapon.

Croatians Arrested

ROME, Aug. 20 (UP).—The newspaper "Messaggero" publishes a report from Zagreb saying that the police there have arrested 700 persons on charges of breaking the curfew law. Twenty-three have been sent to concentration camps.

One For East Anglia

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—After another day undisturbed by enemy air activity over Britain, a single raider dropped a high explosive bomb on an East-Anglian town to-night. No casualties were reported.

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Washington Attitude To War Becomes Grim

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—Washington is no longer the city it was before President Roosevelt headed into the Atlantic to meet Mr Churchill. Their conference has wrought changes that are already very noticeable and are only just beginning.

A grimmer and more serious mood characterises everything with which the administration and defence organisations are concerned.

Those attending the President's press conference yesterday could not help noticing how frantically, often at a feverish pace, they were given way to a note of urgency and seriousness.

Reports on the conference published to-day have made a deep impression on the public here. President Roosevelt's blunt statement that they have a long struggle on their hands and that the war may go on through 1943 has effectively dispelled all easy optimism.

His reference to President Lincoln's statements on the Civil War will un-

doubtedly do much to hammer home the nail he struck on the head by saying how deeply the United States is concerned in the battle of the democracies against Nazi-fascism.

Physical Results
The physical results of the Churchill-Roosevelt conference are already visible in Lord Beaverbrook's talks with the heads of United States defence production and in the new system of delivering United States aircraft to the Middle East.

But the more important results of the conference are believed by many observers here to be a more realistic attitude towards the war, its seriousness and probable length, and the beginning of the destruction of the deep-rooted idea that the passage of the Lend-Lease Bill had bought peace for the United States and defeat for Hitler.

Penetration Of French Africa

Nazis Moving In

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—Dr Klaus, head of the German Mission in Senegal, often travels from France to Dakar in his private plane, states Free French Headquarters.

The Mission comprises many hundreds of members. Its action is no longer limited to Dakar but has spread to all circles in the interior in which a German is placed at the side of each French official.

Everybody is under the impression that the latter may immediately be replaced by the former. All colonial officers and administrative officials are very indignant about this form of collaboration.

In Morocco anxiety is felt amongst the officers and officials because of an important concentration in Spanish Morocco.

The former firm of Mannesman has just been set up again in Libya.

A Colonial Army

Hitler is forming a new colonial army to carry out his projected Franco-German joint rule in Africa, according to the same Vichy sources, says the Independent French news agency.

The army will be equipped on the basis of the experience in Libya.

Treaty Being Discussed

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—Vichy would grant Germany the use of military and naval bases in France and Africa under the terms of a peace treaty now being discussed between Vichy and the German authorities, says a dispatch from the French frontiers quoting "information from official Vichy sources."

The dispatch says that the Germans hope to conclude the treaty or at least a "preliminary peace convention" as soon as possible.

In Return For Bases

In return for the loan of bases, German occupation troops would be partially withdrawn and the remainder would occupy France as a "friendly country," similar to the system now in force in Italy.

After the war, British possessions in Africa, notably Nigeria, Sierra Leone and the Gold Coast, would be attached to the French Empire, which will be exploited jointly by Germany and France.

Alsace Lorraine

Vichy would cede Alsace Lorraine to Germany and as compensation would receive part of southern Belgium after the war. She would not be called on to make territorial concessions to Italy and would keep Tunisia while Italy would receive Egypt in return for renouncing her claims to Tunisia.

It is pointed out that these terms mean that Germany would gain almost complete control of the French Empire and its naval and military establishments.

Miserable Existence Of Japanese

BOMBAY, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—For six days a month bread is not sold in Japan, butter and ghee are available only in very limited quantities at a stiff price, while there is already rationing of rice and bread, according to an Indian who arrived from Japan aboard the Hakone Maru.

Forty Indian passengers arrived from Japan.

BOMBAY, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—A sum of £150,000 has so far been committed to the Ministry of Aircraft Production from the Bombay Air Gifts Fund.

Australian's Appointment To Britain

CANBERRA, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The appointment of the former Commonwealth Minister of Customs, Wing Commander T. W. White, to command an Australian Air Force station shortly to be formed in England has been announced by the Air Minister, Mr. K. McEwen.

The station will be under the jurisdiction of the new R.A.A.F. Overseas Headquarters. Wing Commander White, who is the only member of the House of Representatives in the Air Force, recently commanded the Empire Initial Air Training School in Victoria.

Prisoner of Turks

During the last war, he was the only Australian prisoner of war to escape from Turkey and had the further distinction of taking overseas the first expeditionary air force ever sent from Australia to serve with Townsend in Mesopotamia. He was awarded the D.F.C. and was twice mentioned in dispatches.

It was while landing behind enemy lines to destroy telegraph communications that he was taken prisoner. He resigned from the Commonwealth Cabinet in 1938 as a protest against the Prime Minister's decision to create an Inner Cabinet.

Appeal To Thailand

RANGOON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—It is revealed here that the broadest appeal to Thailand to stand firm in the maintenance of her independence, made in Thai from the Penang station, was by Sir Joseph Maung Gyi, foremost of Burma's elder statesmen and at one time Acting Governor of Burma.

Sir Maung, whose early years were spent in Thailand, recalled that the country recently assumed her new name, which means "Free."

Experiences Of Officers Released By Vichy

SIMLA, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—Evidence of strong pro-British feeling was seen during the journey through Europe of the first batch of British and Indian officers, and British N.C.O.'s captured in the Syrian campaign and released at Beirut on August 15, writes an Indian Army observer in the Middle East.

He adds that probably no prisoners of war ever covered so much ground in so short a time or saw so much enemy-occupied territory as this party.

At Dijon not even the presence of German troops on the platform could prevent ladies of the French Red Cross rushing to the train to pay special attention to the British and Indians.

Frenchman Held

Aboard the vessel on which the British and Indians were imprisoned in Salonika harbour was a French seaman wearing the Croix de Guerre.

Rumanians Go Expansionist

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The Rumanian press is beginning to talk significantly about what it calls "Transnistria" on the other side of its old frontier with Russia.

"The day of deliverance of our Rumanian brothers beyond the Danube has arrived," Rumanian papers are proclaiming, according to a Bucharest telegram.

"Transnistria" is described as "old Rumanian land extending from the Danube to the Bug and Dniester."

The papers cite a map said to have been printed in Berlin in 1924 as proving that the Rumanian population has extended as far as the Dniester and beyond since the year 1900.

MONEY FOR U.S. DEFENCE

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—Allocations and commitments for the defence programme to-day topped the \$51,000,000,000 (£12,750,000,000) mark.

The prospective second Lend-Lease request may raise the total to over \$55,000,000,000 (£13,750,000,000).

Shanghaianders Sport Their "V's"

SHANGHAI, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—The "V" campaign is still going great guns in Shanghai with virtually every democratic-minded foreigner in this cosmopolitan city now wearing an aluminium "V".

Topping out the letter "V" in Morse before and after every news broadcast by local British and American radio stations has become an established practice.

The "V" movement has proved a windfall for certain enterprising German-Jewish emigres who have done and are doing a roaring trade in "V" emblems, flags and pennants which they put out in all sizes, shapes and colours.

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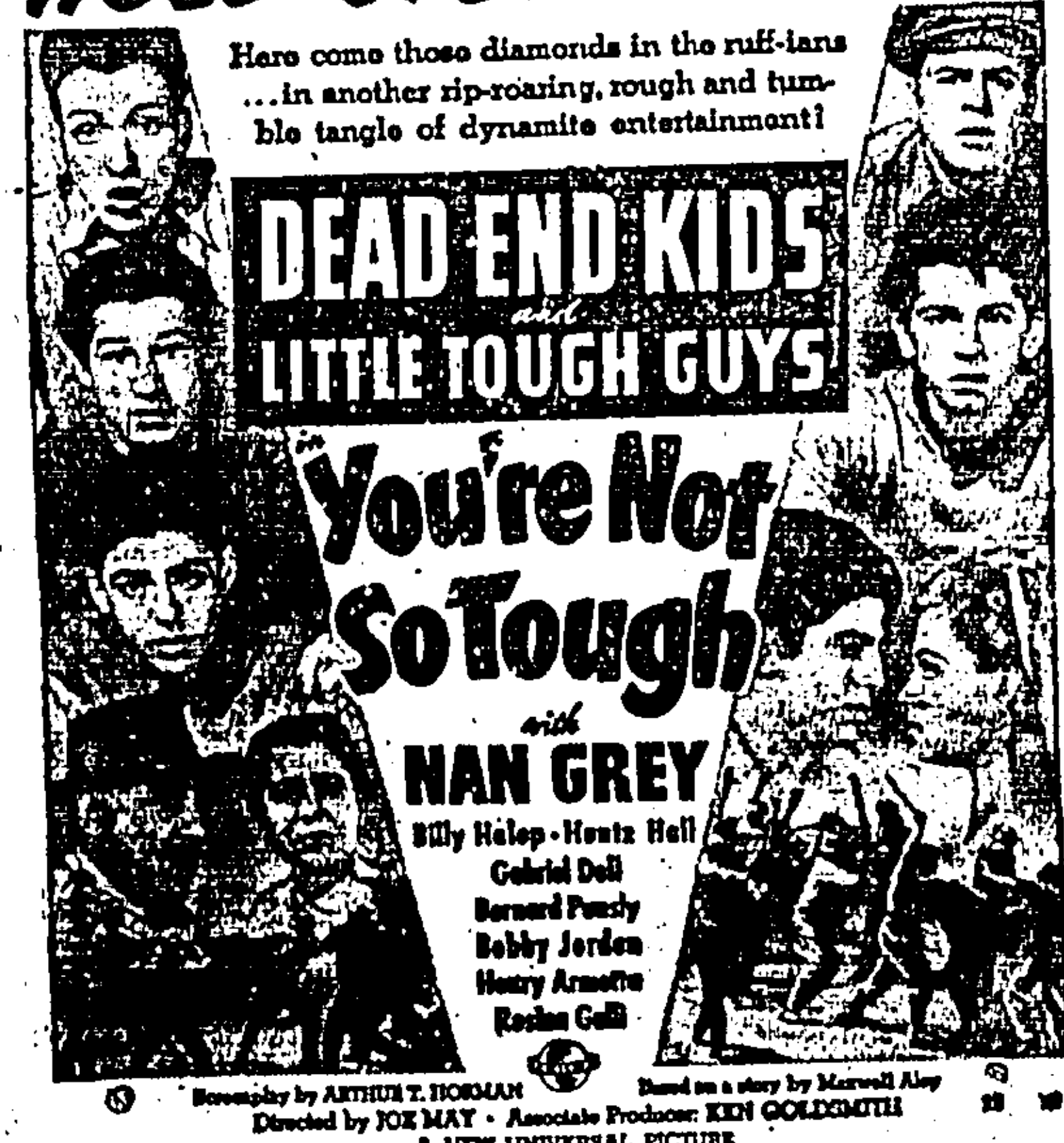
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for fighting, for he knows now that he is up against enemies as elusive as he is hard-hitting.

Lengthening Lines
Despite the admitted efficiency of the German organization, the growing strain of increasing distance and wear and tear must also be having a cumulative effect.

"Nothing now is reported in the Smolensk and Kiev sectors and the German claims in the Ukraine do not carry one any further than what they asserted yesterday, namely that Russian bridgeheads west of the Dnieper were being assailed.

"It is significant that Russian aviation is still able to carry out raids on Berlin and Rumanian oil-fields in addition to co-operational work in spite of repeated German claims, not once but over and over again, to have established complete supremacy in the air."

Jubilant Berlin Reports
BERLIN, Aug. 20 (UP).—The official news agency to-day claims that the Germans have now forced the Red army into a "hopeless Dunkirk situation" at three points—near Tallinn, on Lake Ladoga and at Odessa. The iron ring around Tallinn is constantly tightening, leaving the Russians the only possibility of escaping via the Gulf of Finland where they would be subject to attacks by the German and Finnish navies.

The agency states that the Soviet catastrophe at Odessa has reached tremendous proportions. "The Luftwaffe there has sunk already more than thirty ships totalling over 170,000 tons. One heavy cruiser and some torpedo boats were destroyed while vainly attempting to protect the transports. These warships were also heavily hit by German bombs. The Russians encircled at Odessa are finding no way to escape the Black Sea any more. They are also unable to take away their war materials. The German Luftwaffe by day and night are leaving them no possibility of escaping via the Black Sea."

Escape Enirclement
MOSCOW, Aug. 20 (UP).—It is announced that General Ivan Boldin's troops who were encircled by the Germans west of Minsk in July have battled for 45 days through the German lines and have now rejoined the main Red army.

Slovakian Losses
BERLIN, Aug. 20 (UP).—A dispatch from Bratislava to the "Boersen Zeitung" states that the Slovakian Commander in Chief, General Calos, announced that the Slovak losses thus far are 118 dead, 214 wounded and 17 missing.

High Command Report
BERLIN, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The German High Command from the Fuehrer's headquarters reports: A battle has taken place in an area around and north of Gdansk which ended in a heavy defeat for the Soviet forces.

Parts of seventeen divisions of riflemen, one mechanized division, two armoured divisions, five cavalry divisions and two air-borne brigades have been defeated, annihilated or taken prisoner. In our hands have fallen 78,000 prisoners, 144 tanks, 700 guns and two armoured trains.

German Offensive Analysed

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A big German offensive is thus clearly in progress.

Straighter Line

The Germans are now fighting on a considerably straighter line than some days ago. It runs roughly straight from the Gulf of Finland to Smolensk with an eastward pocket to Novgorod. South from Smolensk, the Germans are clearly trying to follow roughly a line along the Dnieper and for that purpose are attempting to absorb the Russian pocket west of Gomel.

Once established along the greater length of the Dnieper, the Germans clearly hope to establish bridgeheads on the opposite bank through surprise tactics which worked so successfully on the Somme and other French rivers.

In other words, the Germans, whose blitzkrieg smashed itself against Smolensk, are re-trying the blitzkrieg in other directions, especially the Ukraine, despite heavy losses in tanks.

Soviets Need Planes

Although the Russian armies are doing wonders and have not lost air control to the Germans in vital spots, the dispatch from England and America of hundreds of planes is a matter of urgent necessity.

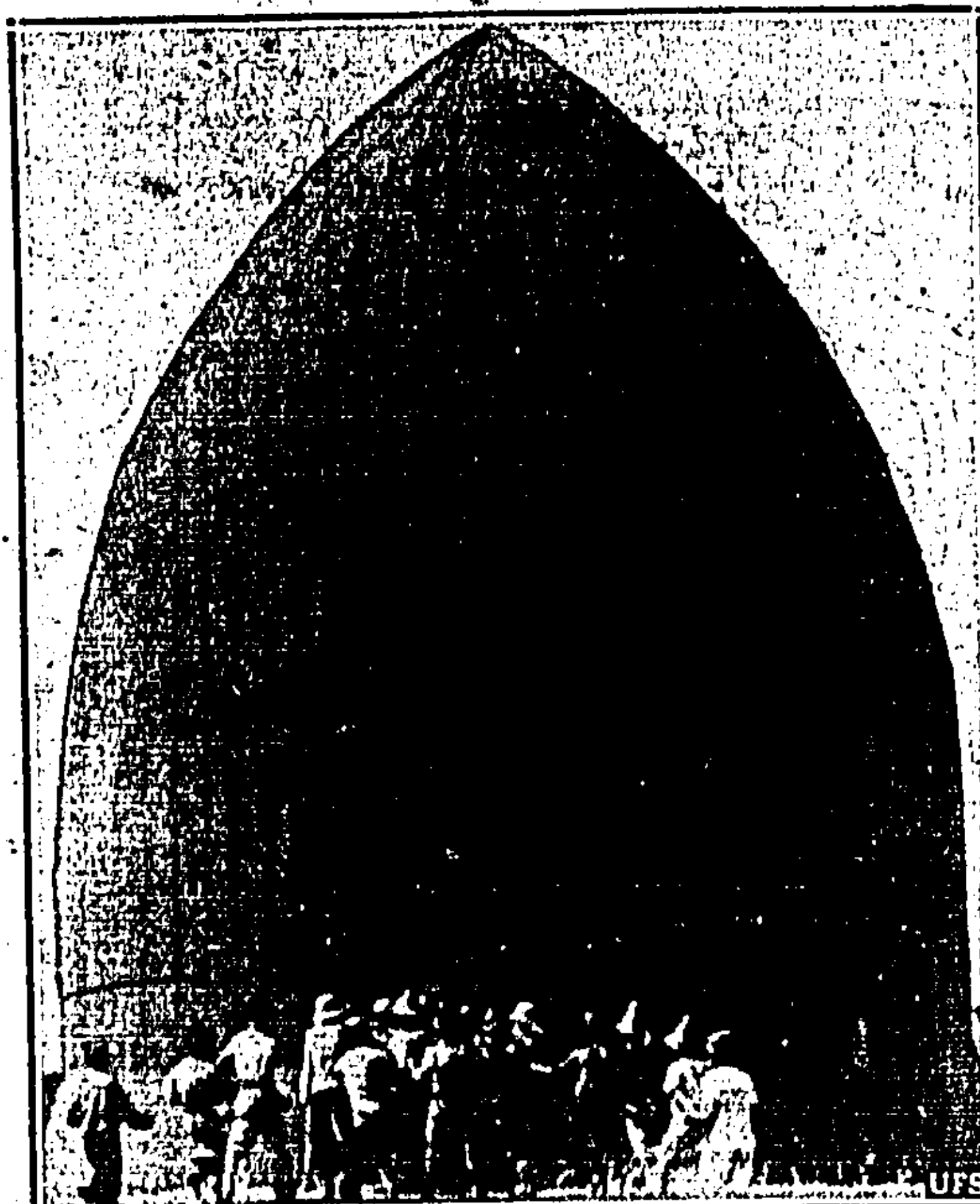
The position in the Dnieper bend is at present obscure. The Germans clearly have a vast ambition to "trap" the Budenny army. The Russians are aware of these German designs. It is certain that the preservation of the army will be the Russians' first consideration even at the loss of important, but not indispensable, industrial areas, but more reliable news is necessary before the lower Dnieper position becomes clearer.

Thrust At Odessa

It is interesting to observe that the Germans are making a thrust against Odessa which suggests that they greatly dislike the idea of a Russian Tobruk.

In the north section of Novgorod direction a night communique shows that the Germans, while prevented from pushing to the Leningrad-Moscow Railway 40 miles east of Lake Ilmen, are trying the next best thing, namely a northward enveloping push to Leningrad, doubtless with the hope of reaching the railway further north.

In the meantime the push from the Estonian direction also continues.



AIR RAID SHELTER—During a practice air raid alarm in Batavia, Dutch East Indies, natives dash for this new-type shelter. It is in the form of a bullet, designed to shed air bombs. The islands rich in war materials, have their defences ready.

LARGEST WHEAT ORDER

The United Kingdom's Ministry of Food, largest buyer of wheat in the world, has broken its own record with an order for 120,000,000 bushels (about 3,000,000 tons) placed with the Canadian Wheat Board.

The previous largest purchase was of 100,000,000 bushels, ordered by the Ministry last year. The new consignment is to be delivered during the twelve months ending May, 1942.

Reckoning 563 four pound loaves to the ton of wheat and using white flour of 75 per cent, extraction, this will provide Britain with 3,378,000,000 of the two pound loaves her housewives favour.

There will also be 750,000 tons of wheat-feed in the form of bran, middlings and wheat germ meal, for Britain's dairy cows, beef cattle, pigs and poultry.

If the wheat is converted into 65 per cent, extraction national wheat-mill flour, 4,080,000,000 two pound loaves would be produced, but only 450,000 tons would be available for livestock feeding.

As Britain does not at present make more than ten loaves in every hundred from the higher extraction flour, a total of 3,448,200,000 loaves, representing about 9,500,000 loaves a day for the twelve months, is what Britain will obtain from this order.

No Observers In Occupied France

VICHY, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The German authorities have asked all consular officers to leave Occupied French territory by September 1, according to a Paris dispatch to the Vichy news agency.

Exceptions are expected to be made of certain countries, including the Consuls-General of Argentine, Brazil and Chile but numerous other representatives of the three countries will have to go.

CHINA BREAKS WITH DANES

CHUNGKING, Aug. 20 (Central News).—Dr Quo Tai-chi, Minister of Foreign Affairs, issued a declaration to-day, severing diplomatic relations with Denmark for her recognition of the bogus Nanking regime and "Manchukuo."

Dr Quo's declaration reads: "Following the footsteps and presumably under the pressure of Germany and her partners, Denmark recognised the puppet regimes in Nanking and the four Northeastern provinces. In taking this unjustified step Denmark has not, it is highly to be regretted, hesitated to forfeit her friendship of long standing with China. The Chinese Government in line with its fixed policy hereby declares the diplomatic relations between this country and Denmark are forthwith severed."

DJIBUTI IS STILL IN VICHY HANDS

VICHY, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—A Djibuti dispatch to a Vichy news agency to-day states that "British warships have on several occasions in the past few days violated French territorial waters off the coast of French Somaliland."

A British destroyer is stated to have fired on a French fishing vessel off Obok. The message makes no mention of unconfirmed reports from certain sources that British destroyers have penetrated into the Djibuti harbour.

AID FOR CHINA DISCUSSED

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duties, that the meeting concerned aid for China.

Unofficial circles conjectured that such aid includes materials such as steel and cement for the Burma road or the parallel railway which is now under construction, and also possibly aviation equipment which Australia is producing on a large scale.

DUKE OF KENT'S VISIT TO U.S.A.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt will be the week-end host of the Duke of Kent at Hyde Park. The President will leave for Hyde Park to-morrow.

Returning with the President on Monday, the Duke will stay at the House and will then inspect defence plants in Norfolk and Baltimore.

With Miners

TIMMIN, Ontario, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—Dressed in overalls and a miner's helmet, the Duke of Kent descended a gold mine and remained below nearly an hour.

On his return to the surface, the Duke changed into an Air Commodore's uniform and inspected the miners' recreation centre.

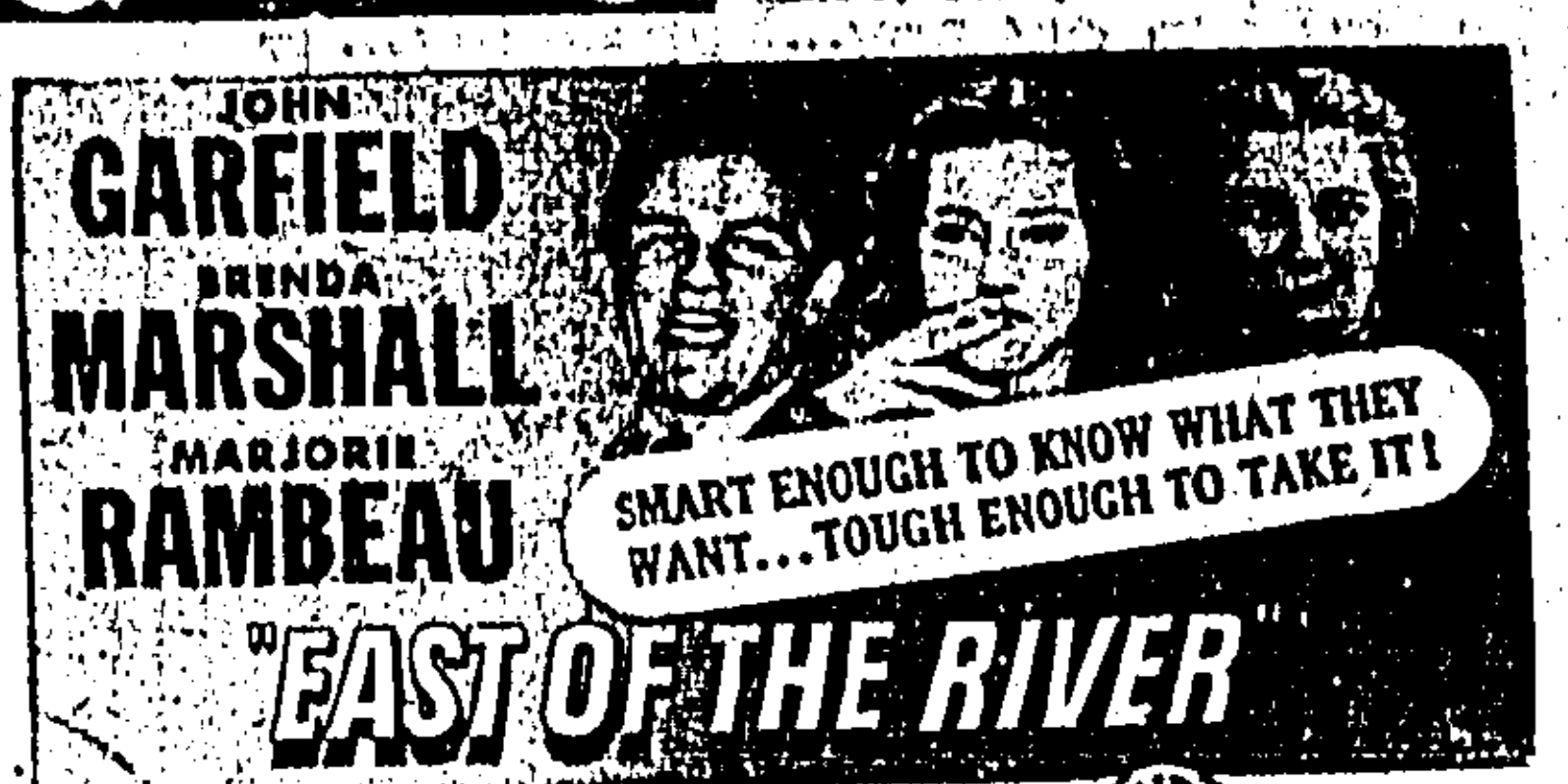
He then drove his car 38 miles to Porquis where he boarded an airliner which took off for Toronto.

Anti-Nazi Measures In Mexico

MEXICO CITY, Aug. 20 (UP).—A group of Congressmen headed by Senator Joaquin Martinez Chavarria indicated to-day that they would introduce a series of anti-Nazi measures during the September session of Congress, including expropriation of Axis property and consulates, and stronger anti-espionage legislation.

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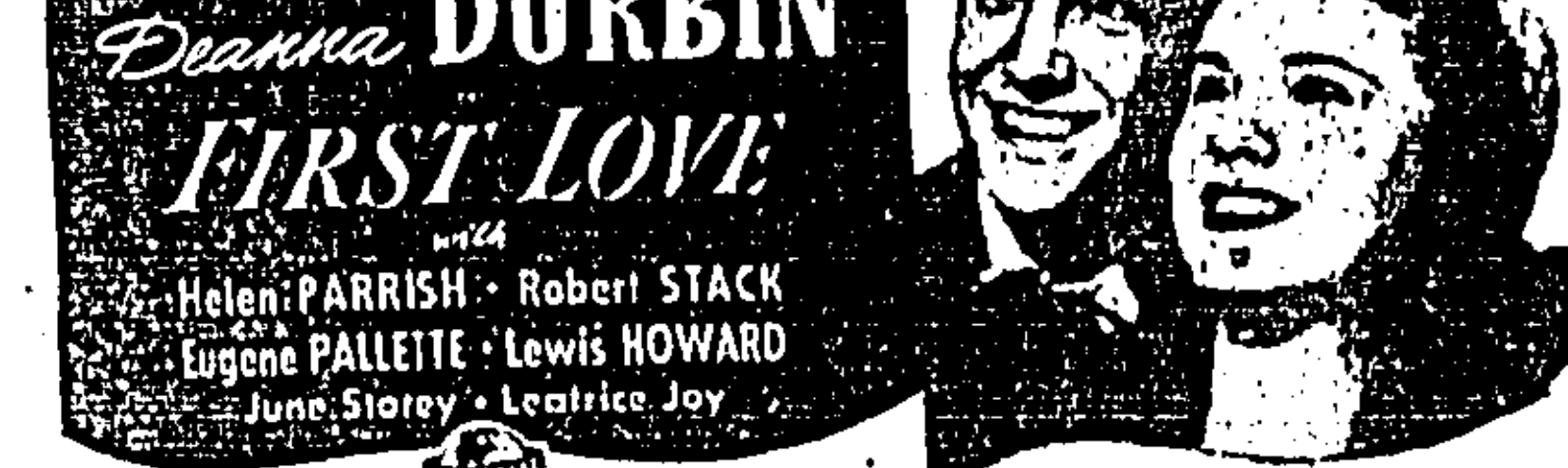
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8.15 London Relay—The News.

8.15 London Relay—War Commentary.

8.25 London Relay—Listening Post.

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8.30 Programme Summary.

8.32 Mozart—Concerto in E Flat Major.

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9 Local Time Signal and Announcements.

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9.45-10 News in French (On Short Wave Only).

9.45-10 Welsh Songs.

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10 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

10.15 Dance Music.

11 London—"War Correspondents"—Edwin Ward.

11.15 Close Down.

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Indian Film Shown

An Indian film, "Yamini Jai", brought into the Colony by Mr. Abbas Khan, was shown at the Alhambra Theatre on August 10 in aid of the Bomber, British Red Cross and the Lord Mayor of London's Funds. All the expenses, including the rental of the theatre, were borne by Mr. Abbas Khan and the whole proceeds, totalling \$1,703, have been forwarded to the three funds.

So great was the demand to see this picture and, incidentally, to help the war funds, that over 300 people had to be turned away as there were no more seats available. Among those present were Hon. Mr. J. P. Pennefather-Evans, Mr. C. G. Perdue, Major J. L. Whitehead, Mr. C. A. Norman, Lt-Colonel J. C. L. Yale, R.A., Lt-Colonel Kild, Lt-Colonel Fung, Lt-Colonel J. H. Monro, R.A., Capt. Bartram, R.A., Major Forrester, Mr. A. el Arculli, Dr. H. el Arculli and Mr. M. P. Talati.

Mr. Abbas Khan wishes to thank all those who helped in selling tickets.

Border Commission

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
SAIGON, Aug. 20 (Dome).—The first meeting of the French Indo-China and Thailand border demarcation commission will be held at the Saigon City Hall tomorrow with Mr. Mikoto Yano, chief Japanese delegate, as the chairman.

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MONTREAL, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—

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Thus the Canadian Air Minister, Mr. C. G. Power, referred to the Empire Training Scheme in a speech at a luncheon in Montreal. Without giving figures, Mr. Power said: "It has been found that given the originally planned number of schools, aircraft and staff, we can produce a 30 per cent. higher output than originally anticipated."

(When the plan was first announced in autumn, 1939, it was unofficially estimated that the output might be 25,000 aircraft a year.)

Gigantic Enterprise

Mr. Power described the plan as the "most gigantic enterprise ever attempted by a people with a population of 12,000,000," and declared that a thousand Canadian airmen were overseas now and "many times more" would be sent overseas before the war was ended.

"Canada's share of the air war in a heavy one. Our people's burden will be greater as more crews of Canadian youth come forward to be trained to blast their way to victory."

'Allied Olympics' In London

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—

Special "V" emblems will be distributed among spectators at a minor "Allied Olympics" athletic meeting being held in London on Saturday.

The Services, Civil Defence and Civilians will be represented among the entries received from Belgians, Poles, Frenchmen, Netherlands, Czechs and Englishmen.

POSTPONED LEAGUE BOWLS FIXTURES RE-ARRANGED

If not previously played postponed Lawn Bowls League fixtures have been re-arranged as follows:

SEPTEMBER 13

First Division—Police v. Cranleigh; K.B.G.C. v. K.B.G.C. "B" v. Indian R.C. K. Dockes v. Revere "B".

Second Division—Prison C.C. v. Hong Kong C.C. Taikee v. Kowloon C.C. Cranleigh v. Kowloon F.C.

Third Division—Hongkong C.C. v. Police; Kowloon F.C. v. Electric; Indian R.C. v. Revere.

SEPTEMBER 20

First Division—Indian R.C. v. K. Dockes; Cranleigh v. K.B.G.C. "B" v. Police v. Revere "B" v. C.S.C.

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Third Division—Cranleigh v. Police; Hongkong C.C. v. Kowloon F.C.; Electric v. Indian R.C.

SEPTEMBER 27

First Division—Revere "A" v. Indian R.C. C.S.C. v. Kowloon F.C. K.B.G.C. "B" v. Kowloon C.C. K.B.G.C. "A" v. Police.

Second Division—Kowloon C.C. v. Revere; Cranleigh v. Hongkong C.C.; Kowloon F.C. v. K. Tong; Taikee v. Prison C.C.

Third Division—Police v. K.B.G.C.

OCTOBER 4

First Division—Indian R.C. v. Cranleigh; Kowloon C.C. v. Revere "B".

Second Division—Prison C.C. v. Revere; K. Tong v. Hongkong C.C.; Cranleigh v. Taikee.

Third Division—Kowloon F.C. v. Police.

OCTOBER 11

By mutual arrangement, any of the above fixtures may be played off before the dates fixed—on Sundays or holidays.

Recreio Bowls Teams Chosen For Saturday

The following teams have been chosen to represent the Club de Recreio in League bowls matches on Saturday:

"A" v. C.S.C. (away).—F. X. Silva, C. M. Silva, H. A. Alves and J. E. Soares.

"B" v. K.B.G.C. (home).—F. X. Soares, R. F. Luz, F. V. Ribeiro and C. Rosa.

"C" v. K. Dockes (home).—D. C. Alves, P. A. Vianovitch, C. H. Basto and J. J. Basto.

"D" v. Revere (home).—F. X. Soares, R. F. Luz, F. V. Ribeiro and C. Rosa.

"E" v. K.B.G.C. (home).—F. X. Soares, R. F. Luz, F. V. Ribeiro and C. Rosa.

"F" v. K.B.G.C. (home).—F. X. Soares, R. F. Luz, F. V. Ribeiro and C. Rosa.

"G" v. K.B.G.C. (home).—F. X. Soares, R. F. Luz, F. V. Ribeiro and C. Rosa.

"H" v. K.B.G.C. (home).—F. X. Soares, R. F. Luz, F. V. Ribeiro and C. Rosa.

Penetration Of French Africa

Nazis Moving In

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—Dr. Klobbe, head of the German Mission in Senegal, often travels from France to Dakar in his private plane, states Free French Headquarters.

The Mission comprises many hundreds of members. Its action is no longer limited to Dakar but has spread to all circles in the interior in which a German is placed at the side of each French official.

Everybody is under the impression that the latter may immediately be replaced by the former.

All colonial officers and administrative officials are very indignant about this form of collaboration.

In Morocco anxiety is felt amongst the officers and officials because of an important concentration in Spanish Morocco.

The former firm of Mannesman has just been set up again in Riff.

A Colonial Army

Hitler is forming a new colonial army to carry out his projected Franco-German joint rule in Africa, according to the same Vichy sources, says the Independent French news agency.

The army will be equipped on the basis of the experiences in Libya.

Treaty Being Discussed

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—Vichy would grant Germany the use of military and naval bases in France and Africa under the terms of a peace treaty now being discussed between Vichy and the German authorities, says a dispatch from the French frontier to the Independent French Agency quoting "information from official Vichy sources."

The dispatch says that the Germans hope to conclude the treaty or at least "a preliminary peace convention" as soon as possible.

In Return For Bases

In return for the loan of bases, German occupation troops would be partially withdrawn and the remainder would occupy France as a "friendly country" similar to the system now in force in Italy.

After the war, British possessions in Africa, such as Nigeria, Sierra Leone and the Gold Coast, would be attached to the French Empire, which will be exploited jointly by Germany and France.

Alsace Lorraine

Vichy would cede Alsace Lorraine to Germany and as compensation would receive part of southern Belgium after the war. She would not be called on to make territorial concessions to Italy and would keep Tunisia while Italy would receive Egypt in return for renouncing her claims to Tunisia.

It is pointed out that these terms mean that Germany would gain almost complete control of the French Empire and its naval and military establishments.

Negotiations are well-advanced, adds the Independent French news agency.

Major Baseball

Dodgers Still Lead Pennant Race

NEW YORK, Aug. 20 (UP).—Brooklyn Dodgers still lead in the National League pennant race, nosing out Pittsburgh Pirates 7-6 to-day which St. Louis Cardinals beat Boston Braves by a one-run margin, 3-2.

Scores were:

NATIONAL LEAGUE	R	H	E
Pittsburgh—Sewell; Lopez.	7	7	1
Brooklyn—Huggins; Casey; Allen; Franks.	6	10	2
St. Louis—Polk; Mancuso.	3	10	2
Boston—Javery; Early; Berres; Montgomery.	2	4	2
Chicago—Eaves; Mullen.	0	10	0
New York—Huggins; Carpenter; Wittig; Manning.	4	8	3
Cincinnati—Riddle; West.	0	6	0
Philadelphia—Melton; Livingston.	0	6	1
AMERICAN LEAGUE	R	H	E
Boston—Groves; M. Harris; Dobson; Peacock.	12	7	2
St. Louis—Auker; Swift.	11	12	1
Boston—Auker; Swift.	3	7	0
St. Louis—Niggeling; Ferrell.	4	8	0
Philadelphia—Harris; Wagner.	0	3	4
Chicago—Higley; Tresh.	0	9	0
New York—Bridges; Tebbets.	0	2	1
Washington—Anderson; Masterson; Evans.	1	12	1
Cleveland—Smith; Henley.	3	8	3

More Italian Planes Downed Over Malta

CAIRO, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—An R.A.F. Middle East communiqué states: "A number of Macchi-200's which approached the island of Malta yesterday turned back when engaged by R.A.F. Hurricanes. The fighters chased the enemy aircraft, shooting down three over the south coast of Sicily."

"Heavy R.A.F. bombers attacked the harbour at Tripoli during the night of August 18-19. Bombs were seen on and near the Spanish quay and a number of fires were started."

"Marylands of the South African Air Force bombed and machine-gunned an enemy camp and transport at Ras el Mills yesterday. Bombs burst among the tents and a number of vehicles were set on fire."

"Reconnaissance aircraft report that the 9,000 ton enemy merchant vessel beached at Lampedusa after being damaged by aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm and the R.A.F. on August 18 was still blazing yesterday."

"Aircraft of the South African Air Force made a heavy attack on enemy positions in the Gondar area, Abyssinia, on August 18. Direct hits were made on the fort at Debarach, where a number of fires were started and on a hangar and depots at Gondar."

"From all these operations, our aircraft returned safely."

ATTEMPTED EXPORT OF GUNNY SACKS

A fine of \$1,000 was imposed on Chan Bun-hin, 25, Import and Export merchant, of No. 24 Ko Shing Street, second floor, by Mr. G. T. Lowry at Central Magistracy this morning, when he was charged with using an export permit issued to another, in the name of Mr. Choy Po-lin, for the purpose of exporting 10,000 gunny sacks to Tientsin on the s.s. Yat Sing on August 20.

Defendant pleaded guilty.

Det-Sergeant J. Johnston stated that the matter came to light through an intercepted letter, and Defendant was arrested following a check of the ship's manifest.

Defendant was on \$2,000 bail.

Over Holland

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—A British bomber force to-day attacked an enemy aerodrome in Holland, it is learned here.

Bombs On Hangar

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—Blenheim bombers escorted by fighters attacked an enemy aerodrome near Alkmaar, Holland, this afternoon, states the Air Ministry.

Bombs burst across the target and one of the hangars received a direct hit.

Other Blenheims searching for enemy shipping attacked a number of patrol ships near the Frisian Islands. British fighters carried out several offensive patrols over the Channel and Northern France.

In the day's operations, British fighters destroyed three enemy fighters. Two British fighters were lost but the pilot of one was safe.

Further reports of yesterday's operations show that a total of 14 enemy fighters were destroyed.

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How to Play AND How to Win

By JOSEPHINE CULBERTSON

Playing for an Error

Declarer often is faced with this problem: Whether to plan his play on the mechanical factor of a favourable lay of cards, or to assume a bad distribution and to call on the enemy for aid. Some of these decisions are close, the hand shown below being a typical example. Do not judge by results, and the fact that the declarer's choice happened to result in victory, whereas the other plan would have ended in defeat, is not my reason for endorsing his decision. But let us examine the hand itself.

South dealer. North-South vulnerable.

♠ Q1084
 ♥ KQ653
 ♦ A9
 ♣ 107
 N
 ♠ J9763
 ♥ J1042
 ♦ JQ8
 ♣ 98
 E
 ♠ A K 5
 ♥ Q J 8 7
 ♦ 5 4
 ♣ 3
 S
 ♠ A 10 6 5 4 2
 ♥ 10 9 8
 ♦ A K J 6 5 4 2
 ♣ A K J 6 5 4 2

The bidding:
 South West North East
 1♣ 3♦ 3♥ Pass
 4♣ Pass 5♣ Pass
 6♣ Pass

West's jump to three diamonds was an attempt to keep North quiet. North had a good enough hand to enter the auction at the three level, but West's bid was effective, nevertheless, in that it resulted in a minor suit contract for North-South instead of the three notrump that would have been a laydown.

West opened the diamond king and, before playing any card from dummy, declared that some serious thinking. Dummy's only quick entry was being removed before a heart trick could be established and, therefore, declarer faced the prospect of losing two diamonds and one heart. Obviously, a diamond loser might be salvaged by a ruff in the dummy, but (and this "but" reached mammoth proportions) this depended on dummy's ten of clubs standing up against an overruff by East. Of one thing declarer was

certain, and that was that West's three bid had been based on no less than six diamonds. East, in that case, would have no more than two, with the probability favouring one. With this diamond shortage it was highly likely that East was longer in clubs than was West, and this in turn strongly suggested that the missing queen of clubs would be in the East rather than in the West hand. If that were true, it would be futile to attempt to ruff a diamond—East would overruff.

Having decided that the ruffing plan was unpropitious, declarer fell back on the only alternative, that of playing for an error. He won the first trick with dummy's diamond ace, and rattled off eight trump tricks. A glance at the West hand will disclose the discarding difficulties into which West ran. Reducing to four cards, it was the most natural thing in the world for him to hold the K-5 of spades and the ace of hearts, which brought him down to one diamond. How could he tell that the declarer had started out with three diamonds and that he had not tried for a ruff in the dummy through fear of an overruff? I venture to say that nine out of ten experts would have "fallen" for this hoax. Now, of course, all declarer had to do was lead a diamond and, when he regained the lead with the spade ace, cash his third diamond for the fulfilling trick.

To-morrow's Hand

East dealer. Both sides vulnerable; East-West 60 part-score.

♠ 874
 ♥ 63
 ♦ 9853
 ♣ A1074
 N
 ♠ KJ109
 ♥ J872
 ♦ 10742
 ♣ 9
 E
 ♠ 53
 ♥ Q109
 ♦ AKQJ
 ♣ KQ52
 S
 ♠ AQ62
 ♥ AK54
 ♦ 6
 ♣ J863

How should South play his contract of two spades doubled? Opening lead, deuce of diamonds.

These Things Shock Me

By Dr Maude Royden

The Preacher And Expert On Social Problems

ALL of us are shocked in these days by such things as war and totalitarianism: but I myself am not at all shocked at some of the things that shock other people and am really badly shocked at things that don't shock them at all.

It is a silly habit, being shocked. I must get out of it. Really good people are seldom, if ever, shocked.

However, I must admit that I, not being good, am shocked sometimes and had better make a clean breast of it.

Forgotten Woman

I WAS badly shocked recently when I heard a five minutes' broadcast which was intended to lift up my heart for the day.

To my surprise, the uplifting thought was of a man who had been on the "dole" was now on Public Assistance, and had begotten six (or was it seven?) children.

He was perplexed at being told by the guardians that he ought to know where to stop, and by his priest, who said that he ought not to stop anywhere.

The broadcaster said it was shocking that a man's family should be decided by economic considerations.

I agreed; but what shocked me was that he had apparently never noticed that it is not the man who has babies but the woman.

How far the size of a family should depend on her wishes, her health and her strength, seemed to me worthy of consideration by (a) the husband (b) the priest, and (c) the broadcaster.

The Pacifists

HERE is another thing. A really good pacifist said the other day that pacifists could not help feeling contempt for other pacifists who (like me) had changed their views about war during the last year-and-a-half.

Well, they ought to help it.

Contempt is one of the attitudes of mind that make wars. If pacifists are contemptuous, they are not pacifists but Pharisees, and Pharisees are—shocking.

In Church

I AM often shocked in church. For instance, I hear a sermon on the parable of the talents.

People are scolded for not using the talents they have, but there is no reference to the really shocking fact that only one in a hundred of us ever gets a chance of using them.

That does shock me. Some people are shocked when I preach—not at what I say but at its being a woman who says it.

I am shocked at their disgusting ideas about the nature of women.

I assure you that this brought me some of the worst shocks of my life. Here is what one bishop said when a vicar asked permission for me to preach in his church:

"Dr Royden may preach if it is not called a sermon."

"If she does not stand in the pulpit."

"If she does not wear a surplice."

Can you imagine the Almighty closely examining the notice board to see whether I was to deliver a sermon or an address?

And, if you can imagine it, are you not shocked at such a silly idea about God?

For my part, I should respect far more highly the vicar and choir men who, because I was forbidden to wear a surplice—a sexless garment, if ever there was one—would not wear their surplices either, but walked into church in their cassocks.

Most Of All

THE other day, a friend said to me with heartfelt sincerity, "God was good to us last night." That gave me a jolt.

It is true that a bomb had fallen in my garden, and hurt no one; but is God only good to us sometimes? Or always good, but sometimes very good? Or good to everyone but very good to—say my friend and me?

On the whole, I believe it is the things that people think about God that shock me most.

I must certainly get over it, for, if He were capable of such foolishness, He must be shocked at me.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Put this fire-cracker under him, Jeeves—I will answer for the consequences!"

Subject: Overleave, Reason For

THE following letter addressed to his commanding officer was written by Second Class Seaman R. E. Wilson, United States Navy, in explanation for overstaying his leave. The letter was originally published in The Houghton Line house magazine.

From: R. E. Wilson, S2C. U.S. Navy.

To: Commanding Officer.

Via: Division Officer, 1st Division.

Subject: Overleave, reason for.

On Sept. 7, I left the ship on ten days' leave at my brother's farm at Cobblestone, Ark.

On Sept. 10, my brother's barn burned down all except the brick silo, which was damaged at the top by the bolt of lightning which started the fire.

On Sept. 11, he decided to repair the silo right away because he had to get his corn in it. I was going to help him.

I rigged a barrel hoist to the top of the silo so that the necessary bricks could be hoisted to the top of the silo where the repair work was going on. Then we hoisted up several hundred bricks. This later turned out to be too many bricks.

After my brother got all the brickwork repaired there was still a lot of brick at the top of the silo on the working platform we had built. I said I would take it all down below. So I climbed down the ladder and hauled the

barrel all the way up. Then I secured the line with a sort of slip knot so I could undo it easier later.

Then I climbed back up the ladder and piled bricks into the barrel until it was full.

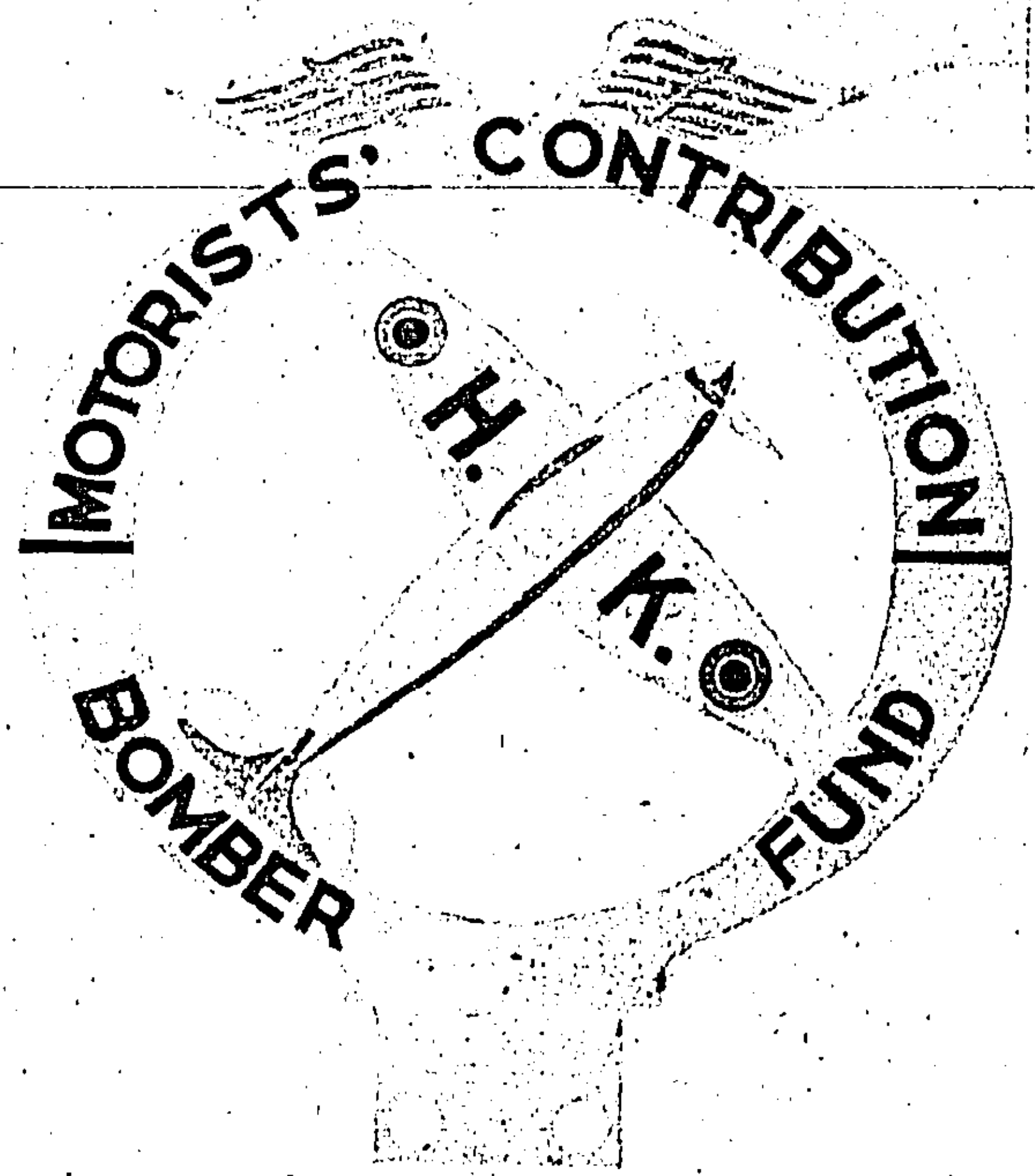
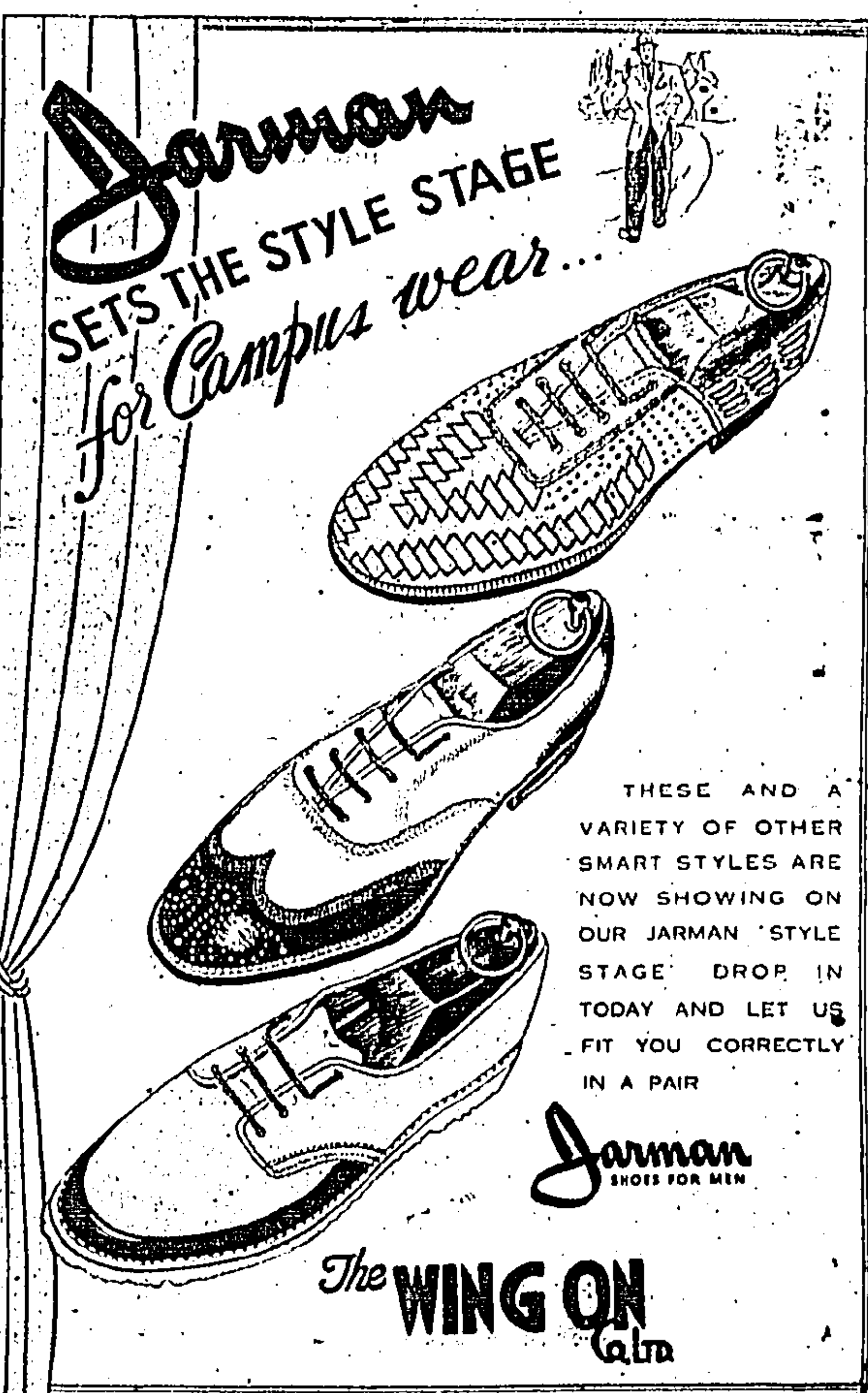
I climbed back down the ladder. Then I untied the line to let the bricks down. However, I found the barrel of brick heavier than I was and when the barrel started down, I started up. I thought of letting go, but at that time I was so far up I thought it would be safer to hang on. Half way up, the barrel hit me on the shoulder pretty hard but I still hung on.

I was going pretty fast at the top and bumped my head. My fingers also got pinched in the pulley block. However, at the same time the barrel hit the ground and the bottom fell out of it, letting all the brick out.

I was then heavier than the barrel and down again. I got burned on the leg by the other rope as I went down until I met the barrel again which went by faster than before and took the skin off my shins.

I guess I landed pretty hard on the pile of bricks because at that time I lost my presence of mind and let go of the line and the barrel came down and hit me squarely on the head.

The doctor wouldn't let me start back to the ship until September 16, which made me two days' overleave, which I don't think is too much under the circumstances.



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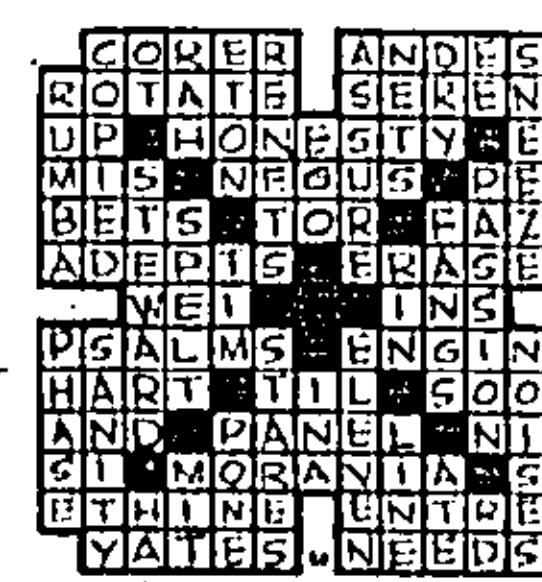
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By LARS MORRIS

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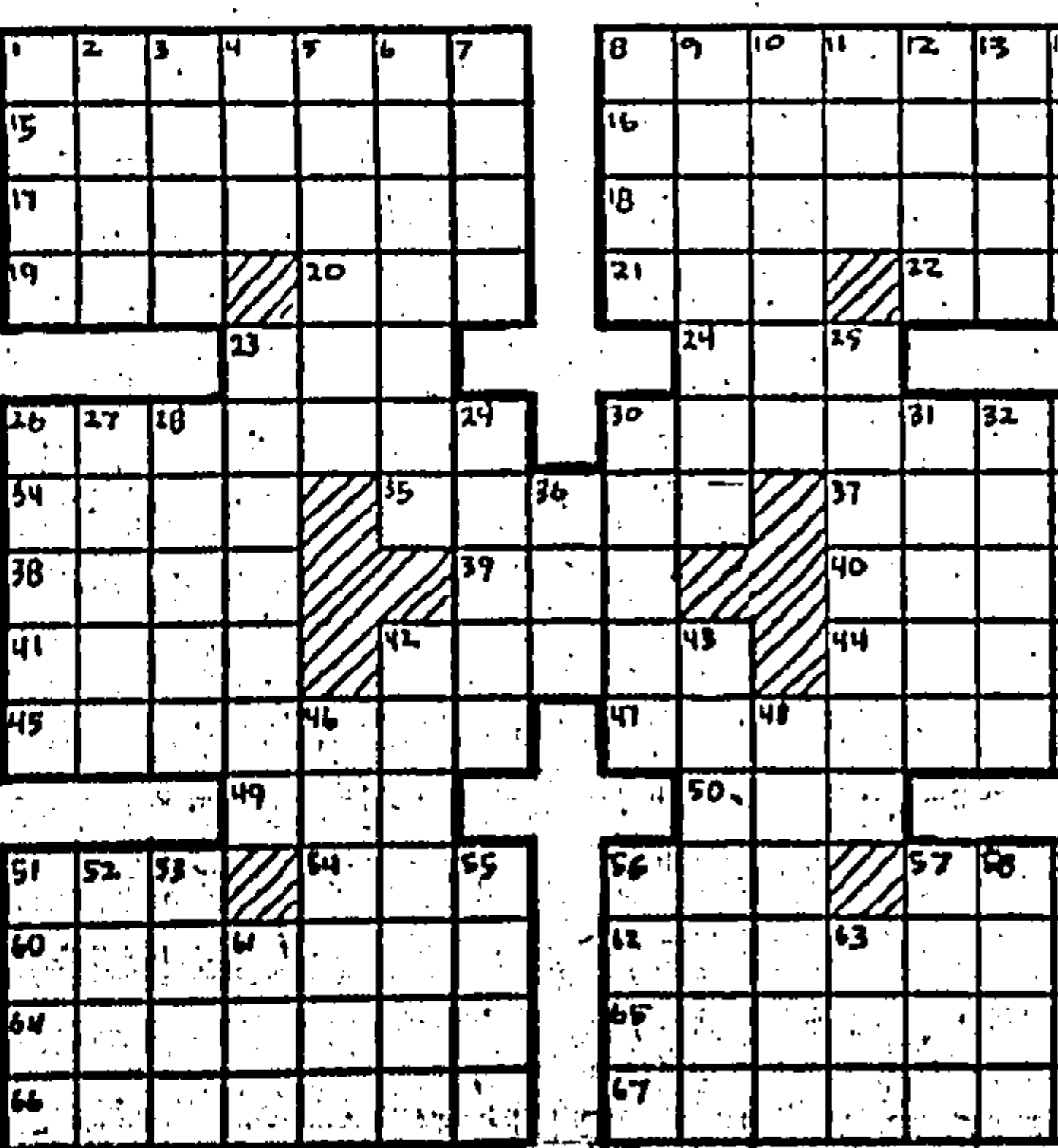
ACROSS

- 1—Anchorite
- 2—South American monkey
- 3—One who navigates ship
- 4—Cause to function
- 5—In imminent
- 6—Pretended remedy for all diseases
- 7—Inevitable (abbr.)
- 8—Duffie; relating to duffie
- 9—Third vowel of Greek alphabet
- 10—Decorative
- 11—Duffie of Latin origin
- 12—Frozen water
- 13—Pedler who follows armies
- 14—Up again
- 15—Address devoutly
- 16—Throw rocks at
- 17—Instigate
- 18—Fairyland goddess
- 19—Period of time
- 20—Bottom of foot
- 21—Women devoted to religious life
- 22—Aquatic birds
- 23—Clive cut
- 24—High opinion of
- 25—Lug
- 26—Mineral spring resort
- 27—Autumn
- 28—Write
- 29—Plumbing bow between electrodes
- 30—Elderly
- 31—Card game
- 32—Geometrical curve
- 33—Slipping



DOWN

- 1—Machines for spreading grass
- 2—Language of ancient Scotland
- 3—Burst excessively
- 4—Calcium
- 5—Mumukshu
- 6—Direct
- 7—One of Purles
- 8—Contaminated
- 9—Roman road
- 10—Well proportioned
- 11—King of Silesia
- 12—Instruments of detection
- 13—Blackbone
- 14—Crust of bread
- 15—Tender corrupt
- 16—Black dialer
- 17—Will
- 18—Hired box
- 19—Densifying purpose
- 20—Headless (heraldic)
- 21—Breeze on Lake Garda, Italy
- 22—One who teats by edict
- 23—Shoulder (French)
- 24—Woman's lace waist
- 25—Disrespectful
- 26—All time
- 27—Suddenly flaring star
- 28—Tax
- 29—Mountain in Thessaly
- 30—Italian island on Adriatic
- 31—Man-eating giant
- 32—Cover
- 33—Left



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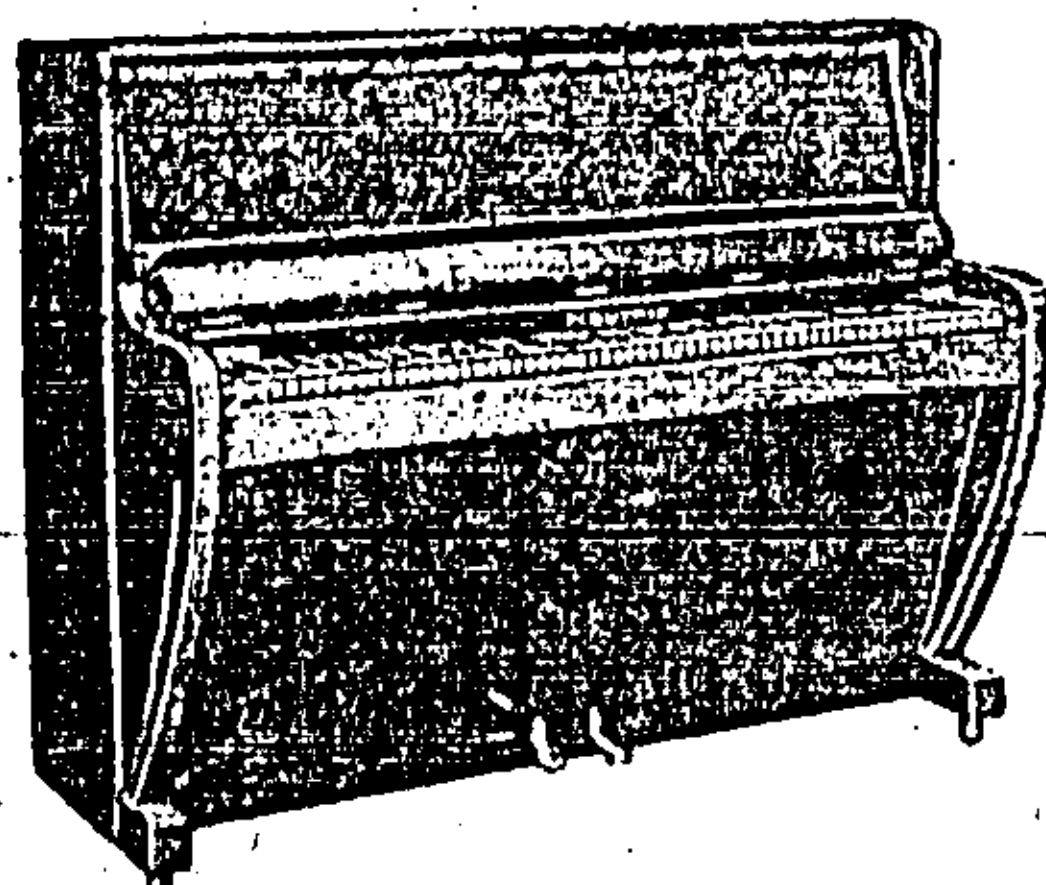
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**WORKERS AND THE WAP
AGAINST HITLERISM**

NOTHING stood out more prominently during the pre-war days of Hitler's regime than the Nazi leader's contempt for and suspicions of organised labour as expressed through the trade unions. The liberalism of the Trade Union movement was, and still is, anathema to Hitler who knows only too well that it stands for the abolition of precisely the system which he so vividly represents—dictatorship.

The unanimous front which trade unionism has taken throughout the world, and notably in Britain and her Empire, against Hitler's belligerent programme to dominate firstly Europe, and later on, the world, is therefore hardly surprising, although to the Nazi Fuehrer it must be infuriating, assuming as it does a solid front of the democracies' workers, pledged to destroy the pernicious German system.

Australian workers are among the latest to voice their determination to this end, and recently the Australasian Council of Trade Unions sent the following cable to the High Commissioner of Australia in London, making clear their position in this struggle against brutal dictatorship: "This Congress recalls and re-affirms the declaration of the New South Wales and Victorian branches of the A.C.T.U., and other sections of the Trade Union Congress of 1940 supporting the war against Hitler and Fascism. We record our uncompromising determination to continue the struggle against the aggressor Powers endeavouring to destroy personal liberty, industrial and political freedom, and the right of collective bargaining and associationship, and therefore pledge the Trade Union Movement to work for the swift and complete victory for the cause of Democracy against aggression and oppression. We affirm that to prevent the possibility of individual profiteering by the war there should be brought about the immediate nationalisation of the arms industries and the utilisation of the nation's credit. We demand a substantial immediate improvement in the standard of life and freedom of speech and assembly. Congress expresses its horror and condemnation at the barbaric and ruthless method by which the forces of Nazism and Fascism are endeavouring to gain world control and domination."

Here is a document which reveals the uncompromising attitude of labour to Hitlerism. This is the voice of the peoples of democracy speaking even more forcibly than through the mouth of any statesman or politician. It is a "fight to the finish" declaration which is being echoed over the world.

**NAZI-SOVIET WAR POSES A
PROBLEM FOR THE FUTURE:**

World Economy Is At Stake

Having by this time digested would destroy every vestige of individualism and elementary freedom in the most of the comment of various ob-

nationalism and elementary freedom in the servers of the new war, one is easily led into concluding that the whole business was practically unexpected, way of successfully defending herself and that it surely took even the Russians themselves by surprise. All of not discovered, so far, the way of properly which goes to prove that the German defending herself against Nazi militarism. Gestapo did a far better job in getting information out of the U.S.S.R. democracy is engaged in, right now. Next to the military and ideological than the Soviet secret police man- Re-problem now created by the Russo-German war, there comes the issue of economic world relationships, and they will undoubtedly be strongly influenced by the outcome of this conflict. With Nazi Germany being caught napping, when the having solved her economic problem by simply using her military force to secure everything she wants in any part of Europe, and with Russia only partly successful in her experiment of state capitalism, what Anglo-American democracy has to do now is to underwrite practically the whole economic cost of Russia's war, owing to the fact that industrially and otherwise the Soviets are hardly up to Germany in the matter of efficiency and means.

From the strictly racial, historic and psychological view, the Nazi advance into the Baltic areas is certainly a masterpiece of up-to-date strategy. All the way from East Prussia to Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia and clear through to the gates of Leningrad, those areas constitute the hallowed ground of the earliest Teuton advance to the east 700 years ago when the Knights of the Cross and the Knights of the Sword were in flower.

When the writer of these lines was in Koenigsberg, the capital of East Prussia, in 1939, ten days before the war began on September 3, nothing was more pathetic than to see how distressed those East Prussian Germans were over the prospect that the Baltic republics were about to be handed over to Russia under the secret terms of the treaty of that year between Moscow and Berlin. Eventually the deal was sealed and finally consummated. Every German from those republics was moved back to the Reich, abandoning forever his homestead of many centuries and many generations before him.

Everybody thought at the time that the new arrangement was to be lasting, except, of course, Hitler, who was set upon reclaiming those lands as soon as practicable. His legions are now marching back into the old Teuton domains.

While he is thus encouraging the Lithuanians, Latvians and Estonians to expel the Bolsheviks from those lands, Hitler is helping the Finns to make good their losses of 1940 while at the same time he has given Rumania the "go" sign to march into Bessarabia and Bukovina and reclaim the provinces Russia took away from her less than a year ago. Thus in East Europe Hitler now appears as the strange champion of the self-determination of peoples—his policies in Czechoslovakia, Poland and Yugoslavia notwithstanding. The Bolsheviks have few friends over that part of the world.

These truths are not very pleasant, and not very encouraging; but the time has come to face things as they are, and not as we wished them to be.

There are in Eastern Europe two huge armies fighting for the mastery of those areas; but more than that there are two systems and two philosophies of life looked in mortal combat. Neither of them is popular with us; we are opposed to both. And yet we have to help one of them against the other, and there is plenty of evidence to show that we are going to back the Russian horse to the limit, irrespective of consequences.

We are not doing so because we favour Communism; but rather because we feel that Russia, if victorious, will be satisfied with her survival and the continuation of the task of her national and popular redemption; while should Hitler win, he



**He is
head of
Russia's
armies**

THE generalissimo of the Red armies who directs the war against Germany as Defence Commissar is Marshal Semyon Timoshenko, a soldier of 27 years' experience. His military training began as a private in the Czar's forces in 1914 and reached top army ranking on May 8, 1940, when he replaced Marshal Klement E. Voroshilov as Defence Commissar.

There is an Alger-like touch to the life of Timoshenko. Last year he returned to his native village of Furmanovka and was hailed as home town people everywhere might welcome a local boy who made good. Wearing the brilliant uniform of a Soviet marshal, he kissed his old boyhood friends and embraced his brother, a labourer who wore the rough homespun clothes of a poor man.

After the close of the Finnish war early last year it was revealed that Marshal Timoshenko had led the Red troops in the northern campaign. He also commanded troops who met the Germans at the close of the war in Poland in the fall of 1939.

Timoshenko is known as a cavalry specialist. He fought, beside Josef V. Stalin in the defence of Tsaritsyn (now Stalingrad) and he rode with the cavalry of Semyon Budenny in the dash into Poland in 1937. The Red army purge of June, 1937, brought the name of Timoshenko to the forefront. Following the execution of eight Red military leaders, he was named commander of the North Caucasus military corps area. This district at the time was considered one of the most important. It long had been a battleground and some of the most important conflicts of the civil war were fought in this area.

Before being sent to the North Caucasus, Timoshenko served in the Kiev district as chief assistant to Gen. Jonas E. Yakir, one of the leaders executed in 1937. Prior to that he had been assistant commander of the White-Russian district under Gen. Jeremy Uborevich, who also was executed.

The Red army generalissimo wears the highest decorations. He is a Hero of the Soviet Union and holds the Order of Lenin. Both these honours were bestowed for his leadership in the Finnish and Polish campaigns. Timoshenko has been a Communist Party member since 1919 and served on the Party's central committee in White Russia and the Ukraine.

He was born 46 years ago in Bessarabia, the son of a peasant. His younger brother, Edm, is a worker.



HOPE IN RUSSIA

Important Task Of Rushing Aid To The Soviets

(By "Reuter's" Diplomatic Correspondent)

LONDON, Aug. 20.—The main issue before the anti-Axis front to-day is to get help to Soviet Russia in the fullest possible measure with the least possible delay.

This was one of the principal subjects discussed at the historic meeting in the Atlantic between Mr. Churchill and President Roosevelt, and it will be the task of the Three-Power meeting shortly to be held in Moscow to tackle the task from a practical and businesslike standpoint.

The fact that no announcement has yet been made regarding the British and American representatives who are to attend the meeting would seem to confirm the belief that Lord Beaverbrook will be the principal British delegate as soon as he can leave his "hustle" campaign in America.

Special Problems

His vigorous energetic personality will undoubtedly be exceptionally well adapted for dealing with special problems of supply and distribution involved. As the discussions will be practically confined to questions of material and supply, it is not likely that any but service representatives will be present.

It is understood that the American representative will be Mr. Averell Harriman, who has been helping forward the working of the Lend-Lease Act so far as it concerns Britain.

Speeding Up

Already there are indications of speeding up of American supplies to Russia in the suggestion that American bombers should be flown from Alaska to Siberia and by long stages to the eastern front.

This would not only save days in transportation but the planes would arrive tuned in for immediate service. The effect of this contribution to the Russian air offensive is too potent to need emphasis.

Tools For Russia

NEW YORK, Aug. 20 (UP).—The "New York Times" to-day understands that thousands of tons of machine tools are en route to Vancouver, B.C., for Russia. The shipment has been reassigned to the Soviets from the earlier French purchases, for which Moscow is paying cash.

Ready To Lend

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—Mr. Jesse Jones, the Federal Loan Administrator, stated that he was ready to lend money to Russia to finance war purchases in the United States.

Mr. Jones told reporters: "If the administration policy is to help Russia and she is unable to pay cash, I think we can find some way to help. I think it would be a loan rather than Lend-Lease."

He said that Russia had not applied formally for a loan but apparently has hinted.

JERUSALEM, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The Military Academy at Baghdad will be re-opened by the Iraqi Government, according to a message received here.

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German Offensive Analysed: Another Change In Tactics

(By "Reuter's" Special Correspondent)

MOSCOW, Aug. 20.—The gigantic nature of the eastern struggle is best realisable when one considers that now the battle is raging not only on this or that sector but on half a dozen vital points simultaneously.

The most vital and maybe the most critical battle is still raging inside the Dnieper bend behind Nikolayev and Kirovograd. But their unfortunate Smolensk experience seems to have taught the Germans to adopt somewhat different tactics and to use their great mobility—mobility which undoubtedly increased with more or less successful consolidation of their communications—to strike here, there and everywhere not necessarily with any precise immediate objective but to impose on the Russians the necessity to move their troops about.

The battle along this vast area from the Gulf of Finland to the Black Sea may be described as a desperate German attempt to prevent that stabilisation at which the Russians aim.

Whether the German drive is ultimately intended to lend support to the German troops in the Smolensk sector or on the contrary for the southward drive along the left bank of the Dnieper remains to be seen, but it is anyway part of the "all over the place" tactics the Germans are trying out, that is to say, an attempt to prevent effective concentration of the front.

The Germans insist on hope for dissemination of the Russian defence. A big German offensive is thus clearly in progress.

Straighter Line

The Germans are now fighting on a considerably straighter line than some days ago. It runs roughly straight from the Gulf of Finland to Smolensk with an eastward pocket to Novgorod. South from Smolensk, the Germans are clearly trying to follow roughly a line along the Dnieper and for that purpose are attempting to absorb the Russian pocket west of Gomel.

Once established along the greater length of the Dnieper, the Germans clearly hope to establish bridgeheads on the opposite bank through surprise tactics which worked so successfully on the Somme and other French rivers.

In other words, the Germans, whose blitzkrieg smashed itself against Smolensk, are re-trying the blitzkrieg in other directions, especially the Ukraine, despite heavy losses in tanks.

Soviets Need Planes

Although the Russian armies are doing wonders and have not lost air control to the Germans in vital spots, the dispatch from England and America of hundreds of planes is a matter of urgent necessity.

The position in the Dnieper bend is at present obscure. The Germans clearly have a vast ambition to "trap" the Red Army. The Russians are aware of these German designs. It is certain that the preservation of the army will be the Russians' first consideration even at the loss of important but not indispensable industrial areas, by more reliable news is necessary before the lower Dnieper position becomes clearer.

Thrust At Odessa

It is interesting to observe that the Germans are making a thrust against Odessa which suggests that they greatly dislike the idea of a Russian Tobruk.

In the north section of Novgorod direction a night communiqué shows that the Germans, while prevented from pushing to the Leningrad-Moscow Railway 40 miles east of Lake Ilmen, are trying the next best thing, namely a "northward" enveloping push to Leningrad, doubtless with the hope of reaching the railway further north.

In the meantime the push from the Estonian direction also continues.

Germans Lose 13 Messerschmitts

LONDON, Aug. 20 (UP).—An Air Ministry communiqué states that a total of 13 Messerschmitts were destroyed during Tuesday's offensive operations. British fighters and three bombers were lost, but four fighter pilots are safe.

Palestine Pound

DAMASCUS, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The value of the Palestine pound has been fixed in Syrian money at 100 piastres, 125 centimes by the Director-General of Economic Services. It has recently been over ten Syrian piastres on the free market.

Washington Attitude To War Becomes Grim

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—Washington is no longer the city it was before President Roosevelt headed into the Atlantic to meet Mr. Churchill. Their conference has wrought changes that are already very noticeable and are only just beginning.

A grimmer and more serious mood characterises everything with which the administration and defence organisations are concerned.

Those attending the President's press conference yesterday could not help noticing how frivolity, often a feature of these conferences, had given way to a note of urgency and seriousness.

Reports on the conference published to-day have made a deep impression on the public here. President Roosevelt's blunt statement that they have a long struggle on their hands and that the war may go on through 1943 has effectively dispelled all easy optimism.

His reference to President Lincoln's statements on the Civil War will undoubtedly do much to hammer home the nail he struck on the head by saying how deeply the United States is concerned in the battle of the democracies against Nazism.

Physical Results

The physical results of the Churchill-Roosevelt conference are already visible in Lord Beaverbrook's talks with the heads of United States defence production and in the new system of delivering United States aircraft to the Middle East.

But the more important results of the conference are believed by many observers here to be a more realistic attitude towards the war, its seriousness and probable length, and the beginning of the destruction of the deep-rooted idea that the passage of the Lend-Lease Bill had bought peace for the United States and defeat for Hitler.

Thai Appointments

BANGKOK, Aug. 20 (UP).—It is officially gossiped that Lieutenant General Luang Bromyodhi has been appointed Minister of Defence; Major Luang Kowitabhaiwong, Minister of Communications; General Prohoribhanyudhakti, Minister of Economics, and Vice Admiral Luang Sindh Songgramjaya, Minister of Education.

Japanese Desperately Short Of Petrol

TOKYO, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The Japanese Government have decided to prohibit the operation of all petrol driven buses, taxi-cabs and private cars from September 1 in order to conserve oil supplies.

Certain exemptions will be made, however, in the case of private cars needed for special purposes, it is understood.

Taxis using fuels other than petrol will be allowed to continue to operate, but taxicab stands will be abolished.

Iran Reply Awaited

LONDON, Aug. 20 (UP).—It is learned here that Teheran has promised to reply within a few days to the Anglo-Soviet notes which were delivered last Saturday. Authoritative sources stated, "The day is near when we should have a reply."

EMPIRES STAND TOGETHER

Dutch Minister's Declaration

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The community of interest between the British and Netherlands Empires was the theme of an address given by Dr. J. M. Welter, the Netherlands Minister for the Colonies, at a luncheon in London to Lord Moyne, the British Colonial Minister.

Dr. Welter said: "It is as well that we two great colonial Powers should stand together and face the future shoulder to shoulder, for it is a sure thing that even our well-tempered experience in colonial affairs and our resourcefulness will be severely taxed by the exigencies of post-war economic and other problems which are bound to follow in the wake of this world-wide conflict."

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"I am sure, therefore, that however exacting the challenge of the future for our two nations may be, we shall meet it with a confidence inspired by the history of our past achievements."

Free French Army Grows

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The rallying of Vichy Frenchmen in Syria to the Free French forces has increased during the past few days, says an independent French Agency message from Beirut.

At one centre in Beirut, an average of 100 men presented themselves daily. Rallying is also proceeding satisfactorily in Damascus, Raynk and Hama. The rallyers include the majority of officers and men comprising the last reinforcements sent from France.

Canadians In Britain

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—A further contingent of the Canadian army has arrived safely at a British port—living proof that Germany is losing the Battle of the Atlantic.

The contingent includes ordnance, army service corps, heavy anti-aircraft and field ambulance units. The same convoy also brought to Britain men of the Belgian army.

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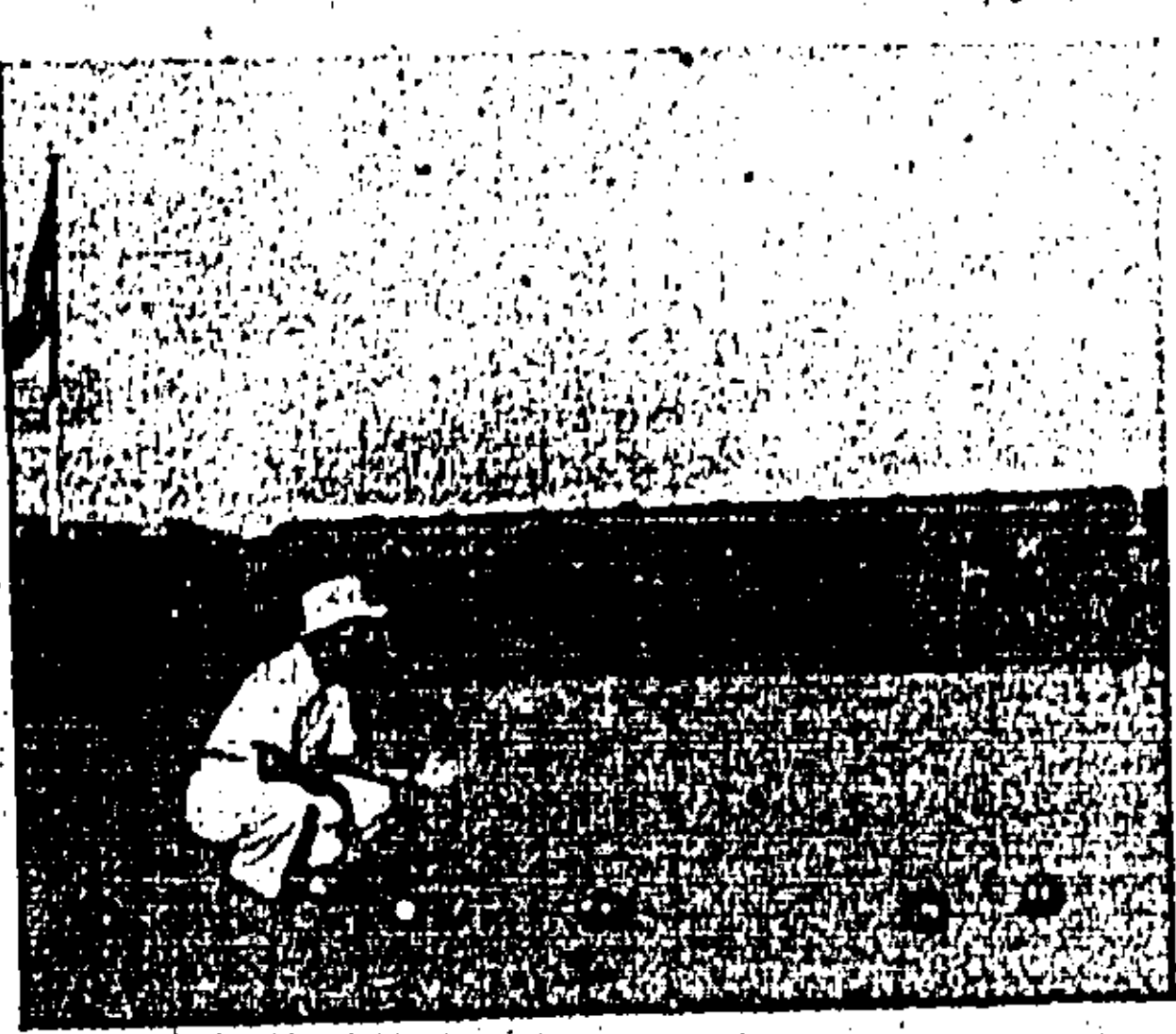
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"WICK'S" BOWLS NOTES



Left.—U. M. Omar, the brilliant Craigengower skip, who carried his rink to victory over S. Rossetti in the Championship rinks game at the Kowloon F.C. last Sunday.
Right.—K. M. Omar, taking the directions of his elder brother, A. M. Omar and B. W. Bradbury (of the winning rink) and R. Bass and A. E. Coates (Rossetti's rink) standing behind—Hing Yuen.



Senior Struggle To Avoid Relegation

Prospects of Promotion for Kowloon F.C. and Kowloon B.G.C.

U. M. Omar Brilliantly Carries Rink to Victory

THE ONLY FAULT one can find with these clean-sweep victories of Craigengower C.C. in the First Division is that they leave every other team out in the cold as far as the championship is concerned. The only interest in this section centres on the bottom teams' attempts to avoid relegation, and although Kowloon B.G.C. "B" are at the moment occupying the cellar position, several other clubs are not yet out of the wood.

In the Second Division, Kowloon Football Club shot out to the front last week as the result of their own 4-1 victory over Hongkong Cricket Club, and the surprising lapse of Kowloon Tong who, at Tai-koo, were beaten on all three rinks. The Footballers are now five points ahead—a lead which may make all the difference to their championship aspirations.

In the Third Division, Kowloon B.G.C. seem to be sitting pretty. Their nearest rivals, Indian R.C., fell down badly last week against Club de Recreio at King's Park, and are definitely out of the running.

The only team that appear to have any chance of overhauling the Bowling Green in this division are the Police, who are moving up slowly but surely in the League Table.

THOSE who saw the quarter-final rink match between the sides led by U. M. Omar and C. S. Rossetti must have been pleased that they were there for they saw "U.M." on one of his best days. And only those who have seen him at his best know what that means. I have heard it said that his two younger brothers and B. W. Bradbury, the other members of his rink, rely too much on him.

Not having seen his other matches this season, I cannot say whether or not this is true; but I can say without reservation that if "U.M." in the semi-final and final can reproduce the same form that he showed last Sunday, Bradbury and the younger Omar have nothing to worry about.

The four rinks left in the semi-finals are:

W. McLeod, W. B. Harris, W. S. Dall and J. Shepherd.
A. M. Omar, K. M. Omar, B. W. Bradbury and U. M. Omar.
L. Sykes, W. McNeill, R. Duncan and A. J. Han.
J. Hoosen, A. M. Rumlahn, A. R. Dallah and M. H. Abbas.

At the time of writing, there has been no announcement as to when the draw will be made, but I understand that the semi-finals will not be played for some time.

IN the League match between Craigengower C.C. and Kowloon B.G.C. "B", the only thing of note was the hard fight U. M. Omar, who won his 100 per cent record, had to retain his 100 per cent record.

Drawn against L. Sykes, who was skipping in place of Ferry Peckham, Omar only managed to win by three shots after being all square at 10-10 on the 18th head. Sykes, given good support by his front men, nearly pulled off what many an experienced skip has failed to do this season.

AT Sookunpoo, Club de Recreio "A" had little difficulty in taking four points from the Indians. If "A" had been a much better team, it would have been a much better game had the Indians been at full strength, but with two novices taking part the result was a foregone conclusion.

A. R. Dallah was the only Indian skip to win. His front men, D. M. Khan, A. R. Ismail and J. Hoosen, played brilliantly, especially after tea—when they scored 10 shots in eight consecutive heads—and Dallah himself showed more confidence than he had done for some time.

The result was that H. A. Alves, the opposing skip, was always up against it.

It was just as well for the Portuguese rink that J. E. Noronha, No. 3 to Alves, was in great form, for had it not been for him the Indians would have won by a wider margin on this rink.

Although he himself played one of his best games this season, A. K. Chin had to bow to defeat by seven shots.

But then his front men were not at their best and he had to contend

Home Soccer To Aid Red Cross Fund

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—An attractive programme of international and representative matches has been arranged by the Football Association, and the Red Cross should receive substantial funds from the proceeds.

Seventeen matches have been arranged, including meetings between full international sides of England and Scotland at Wembley and Hampden Park, and two matches between England and Wales.

The services are fully entered for in several Army v. R.A.F. clashes that have been scheduled, while a match between the Army in Scotland and the Army in England will virtually be another full international match since it is practically certain that nearly all players will be internationalists.

New Swimming Record

Berne, Aug. 20.
Ragnhild Liveget, famous 20-year-old Danish swimmer who has held many world records during the past few years, today broke her own 100 metres free style of 11 minutes 17 seconds which has stood since 1930, returning 10:25.—Reuter.

With F. X. Soares, R. F. Luz and F. V. V. Ribeiro on the opposite side and lastly C. Rossetti, who had charge of the rink.

The third Recreio rink, J. A. Luz, C. E. Marques, L. F. Xavier and J. F. V. Ribeiro were far too good, men for man, for the I.R.C. four led by M. R. Abbas and their 15-shot margin of victory just about represented the difference between the two rinks.

CIVIL Service C.C., who are one of the teams in danger of relegation, did very well to beat Kowloon Ducks by two rinks to one at Hung-hom.

M. N. Rakusen, who has done so well for them this year, won his seventh consecutive match and with W. J. Burling beating F. Cullen by 14 shots, victory was assured.

The four points the Civil Servants obtained in this match have given them 2½ points less over Kowloon B.G.C. "B", but the League programme has him yet nearly a third way to go, and anything may happen in between.

IN the Third Division, Kowloon B.G.C., although down on two rinks, were up on aggregate, thanks to C. Wallis' rink, who beat E. S. Abraham's four by 16 shots, easily covering the deficit of the other two rinks.

But though the K.B.G.C. have a substantial lead and the Indians have dropped out of the running, they have to be careful about the Police, who are making a last-minute spurt.

Last week, the Police made a clean sweep against Craigengower C.C. and their form at the moment is so good that they are regarded now as the strongest challengers in this section.

THE Indians had a happy time at the Club de Recreio last week as regards entertainment—they had lift, tea, dinner and then were guests at the horse-racing at the Recreio—but from the point of view of bowls, they were very much out of it.

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Swimming

European "Y" Championship Heats To-morrow

European Y.M.C.A. swimming championships will be held on August 26, 28 and 30, at 8 p.m. on the first two nights and 9 p.m. on the final night.

Heats will be held for the 50 yards to-morrow and the 100 yards on August 29.

To-morrow's heats are:—Heat 1—C. Goldman, B. S. Wilson, A. F. May, Heat 2—D. Hutchinson, R. Goldman, E. A. Roberts, L. Larson, Heat 3—E. F. Paul, G. Arnold, N. D. Booker.

The first in each heat and the fastest second will qualify.

Heats for the 100 yards are: Heat 1—B. S. Wilson, D. de Van Twiddle, D. Hutchinson, Heat 2—E. A. Roberts, A. F. May, E. F. Paul, N. D. Booker.

Following are the entries: August 26 220 yards.—E. F. Paul, E. A. Roberts, F. May, N. D. Booker, L. Larson, B. S. Wilson, G. Arnold, G. Saunders, N. McQueen.

100 yards back-stroke.—B. S. Wilson, W. Willis, E. A. Roberts, August 28 50 yards final, 100 yards breast-stroke.—W. S. Gegg, W. B. Ure, D. Hutchinson, 50 yards back-stroke.—B. S. Wilson, W. S. Gegg, F. Willis, E. A. Roberts.

400 yards.—E. F. May, A. D. Pepper, L. A. Benn, August 30 100 yards free-style, Throwing the polo-ball.—W. B. Ure, C. Goldman, R. Goldman, E. F. Paul, A. F. May.

Boys' 100 yards.—R. Larson, C. Saunders, N. McQueen, 50 yards back-stroke.—W. S. Gegg, F. Willis, D. Hutchinson, N. D. Booker, 100 yards.—W. S. Gegg, F. Willis, D. Hutchinson, N. D. Booker, 100 yards.—W. S. Gegg, F. Willis, D. Hutchinson, N. D. Booker.

800 yards.—H. G. Ramage, A. F. May, L. A. Benn.

To-night's Gala

A quadrangular gala will be held in the Y.M.C.A. pool to-night when the Y.M.C.A. will be hosts to Royal Scots, Middlesex and Small Units in the following events:

The water-polo teams are: Royal Scots (Signals), Hymas (Middlesex); R. Goldman (Y.M.C.A.); McCann (Signals), Paul (Y.M.C.A.), J. Gegg (Middlesex), Out and Outers.—Bankers (Signals), Bedford (Signals), A. Benn (Y.M.C.A.), W. B. Ure (Middlesex), Dignan (Signals), A. F. May (Y.M.C.A.), Sutherland (Signals), Hesteres—Turner (Middlesex), Morgan (Signals), Allen (Signals), E. B. Wilson (Y.M.C.A.), Bindon (Middlesex).

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Bowls Pairs Tournament

Champions' Easy Passage Into Next Round

H. A. ALVES AND F. V. V. RIBEIRO, holders of the Colony lawn bowls pairs title, had a comparatively easy passage into the next round of the current tournament when they met and defeated J. V. Ramsay and R. Morrison 23-13 at the Kowloon Cricket Club yesterday.

Despite predictions that the holders would not survive, Alves and Ribeiro were again their true selves on a green that played very well.

The leads—Alves and Ramsay—were always in a keen tussle, though over the latter stages of the game, Alves showed superiority, and the result, therefore, was the outcome of the skips' duel.

F. V. V. Ribeiro at almost all stages had the measure of the rion, though it was not until the 14th end when the Ribeiro pair registered a six that fortune made a definite turn in their favour.

Score on the 13th end was 17-10, and thus after the 14th was 17-10—a difference which Ramsay and Morrison were unable to make up.

After six ends, Alves and Ribeiro, with a little more luck he and his partner would have celebrated with a bottle of whisky, for his last word was just slightly too heavy to draw for the seven.

Ramsay and Morrison lay two when the skips went down to bowl, but having all his woods at the back, Ribeiro came through slightly heavy and trailed the jack into his own nest, eventually counting six.

Scores were: H. A. Alves and F. V. V. Ribeiro: 0.0.2.0.3.3.0. F. V. V. Ribeiro: 0.0.1.1.0.0.0.1.0.1.1.3.0=23 J. V. Ramsay and R. Morrison: 2.2.0.0.0.1.1.0.0.0.1.0.1.1.0.0.1=13

Very Close

At Craigengower, H. R. Pinna and H. Basio recorded the day's second win for Recreio when they beat W. Cameron and E. G. Post 21-19—the deciding head being the 21st!

Pinna and Basio went into a commanding lead of 11-1 by the 6th end, but Cameron and Post came back strongly over the next 10 heads, scoring a 5 on the 14th, and drew level at 10-10 on the 16th.

They went into the lead 17-16 on the 17th, but the Ribeiro pair scored 3 to 1 to 19-17, and two singles on the 19th and 20th ends deadlocked scores at 19-19 for the commencement of the 21st.

Pinna laid well for the last head, and the efforts of Cameron and Post could not displace their opponents' two.

Scores were: Pinna and Basio: 1.1.2.0.4.1.0.1.0.0.3.0.0.2=21 Cameron and Post: 0.0.0.1.0.0.2.0.0.3.1.5.0.2.1.0=10

Recreio's Third Win

Opening with a 6, L. J. Silva and J. F. V. Ribeiro scored Recreio's third win of the day when they beat Y. H. Tang and A. J. Kew 22-17 at the Kowloon B.G.C.

Silva and Ribeiro were never led, though with their 4 on the 8th, the Kowloon Tong pair drew up within striking distance.

Scores were: Silva and Ribeiro: 0.1.0.2.1.0.0.1.0.3.0.1.0.3.2.0.0.2.0=22 Tang and Kew: 0.0.2.0.0.1.1.0.4.0.1.0.1.1.0.3.1=17

Omar Brothers Through

The Omar brothers, A. M. and U. M., entered the next round of the Tournament at the expense of W. Williamson and C. S. M. Thom—though it was only over the last few heads that the Omars scored 12 shots to win!

They led all the way, 7-0 on the 4th, and 12-4 on the 8th, but a 5 on the 10th brought Williamson and Thom nearer at 12-9, and eventually the latter pair were only one shot down, 16-15, on the 10th.

But then over the last five heads, the Omars scored 3, 4, 0, 5, 0 and won with their 9 shots margin.

Scores were: A. M. & U. M. Omar: 2.2.1.2.0.0.2.1.2.0.3.0.1.2.0.0.0.0=23 Williamson and Thom: 0.0.0.0.3.1.0.0.0.0.1.0.1.0.0.3.0.1=19

Another Close Match

Playing their postponed game yesterday, W. L. Walker and R. Duncan qualified to meet E. Levett and H. Spong in the fourth round to-day. They beat K. C. Hamilton and A. M. Holland 22-20—a 5 and a 4 on the 18th and 20th heads respectively giving them victory.

From the 1st to the 14th head, Walker and Duncan led, the score moving 5-1, 7-2, 7-6, 10-6 and eventually 11-10. Hamilton and Holland took temporary command at 12-11 and again at 15-13.

With their 5 and then their 4, however, the winners moved up to 18-15 and then 22-15, and on the last end Hamilton and Holland could do no better than two.

Scores were: Hamilton and Holland: 0.1.0.1.0.3.1.0.0.0.2.1.1.2.0.3.0.3.0.2=20 Walker and Duncan: 3.0.2.0.2.0.0.0.0.1.0.0.0.0.2.0.0.0.0=22

Soccer Tourists Return From Australia

Splendid Trip But Happy To Be Back In Hongkong

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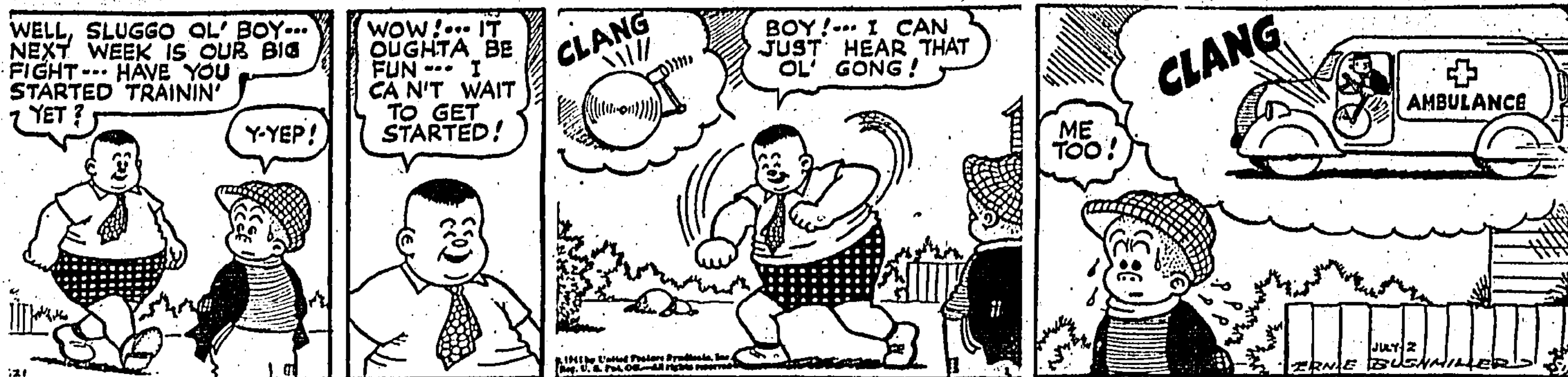
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Making Anti-Gas Russians Minded

MOSCOW, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—A campaign is now in progress to inform the Soviet people means of chemical warfare. As the war, many decontamination squads are holding practice tests.

Trained speakers and heads of A.R.P. house committees can be seen in numerous little courtyards in Moscow lecturing to the inhabitants in blocks of flats on how to protect themselves from gas.

Leaders and other articles in the Press urge the need for people to take their own measures for defence. They warn that the enemy is prepared to resort to any measure to ensure victory.

A New Crime

In an article in to-day's "Pravda" the Major-General of technical troops M. Melnikov, writes that "not long ago the whole world learned with hatred that Nazism was secretly preparing for a new crime—the extensive use of poisonous substances in the war against the Soviet Union. We are aware that the enemy is proposing to apply a combination of poisonous substances with asphyxiating, smarting and blistering effects. A chemical attack, however, is only a real danger when there is no knowledge of the methods of defence." He goes on to urge the formation of special anti-chemical squads in every town, village, factory, farm and railway station.

British Air Raid Policies

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The disclosures made recently by the Air Ministry of the actual numbers of aircraft engaged in attacks on Germany have, it is learned in London, given considerable satisfaction to the Russians who are now able more fully to appreciate the extent to which the R.A.F. is assisting them. It was also stated that although recent Air Ministry communiques have in some cases disclosed higher numerical losses of aircraft during operations over Germany, the ratio of losses to the number of aircraft engaged has not increased over the last two or three months. The Air Ministry will continue their policy of announcing the actual number of aircraft engaged in these operations from time to time in order that the world may be able to appreciate the extent of the British western offensive.

Rumanians Go Expansionist

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The Rumanian press is beginning to talk significantly about what it calls "Transnistria" on the other side of its old frontier with Russia. "The day of deliverance of our Rumanian brothers beyond the Danube has arrived," Rumanian papers are proclaiming, according to a Bucharest telegram. "Transnistria" is described as "old Rumanian land extending from the Danube to the Bug and Dniester." The papers cite a map said to have been printed in Berlin in 1824 as proving that the Rumanian population has extended as far as the Dniester and beyond since the year 1900.

CHINA BREAKS WITH DANES

CHUNGKING, Aug. 20 (Central News).—Dr. Quo Tai-chi, Minister of Foreign Affairs, issued a declaration to-day, severing diplomatic relations with Denmark for her recognition of the puppet Manchukuo regime and "her unprovoked aggression against the Chinese people." The papers cite a map said to have been printed in Berlin in 1824 as proving that the Rumanian population has extended as far as the Dniester and beyond since the year 1900.

DJIBUTI IS STILL IN VICHY HANDS

VICHY, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—A Djibuti dispatch to a Vichy news agency to-day states that "British warships have on several occasions in the past few days violated French territorial waters off the coast of French Somaliland." A British destroyer is stated to have fired on a French fishing vessel off Obock. The message makes no mention of unconfirmed reports from certain sources that British destroyers have penetrated into the Djibuti harbour.

Shanghaianders Sport Their 'V's'

SHANGHAI, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—The "V" campaign is still going great guns in Shanghai with virtually every democratic-minded foreigner in this cosmopolitan city now wearing an aluminium "V". Tapping out the letter "V" in Morse before and after every news broadcast by local British and American radio stations has become an established practice. The "V" movement has proved a windfall for certain enterprising German-Jewish emigres who have done and are doing a roaring trade in "V" emblems, flags and pennants which they put out in all sizes, shapes and colours.

Exchange At A Glance

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T.T. Japan	102 1/2 n.
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T.T. U.S.A.	24 1/2
T.T. Manila	40 1/2
T.T. Batavia	40 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	140
T.T. Saigon	100
T.T. France	100
T.T. Switzerland	105
T.T. Australia	170 1/2
BUYING	
4 m/s L/C London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s D/P London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	25 1/4
4 m/s France	25 1/4
30 d/s India	84 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	—

President's Appeal To Strikers

KEARNEY, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt has asked both sides in the strike in the Federal Shipbuilding Company's yards here to resume work forthwith. He urged them to put the "importance of national defence before their points of difference." It will be recalled that the strike, which began on August 7, involved 18,000 men working on over \$493,000,000 worth of war and merchant ship orders. The Vice-President of the local Congress of Industrial Organizations Union, Mr. Peter Flynn, has urged the Government to take over the yards and "operate them in the interests of national defence."

FUTURE OF CHINA'S CURRENCY

Dollar May Improve CHUNGKING, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—"Reuter" has been informed that the strengthening of the Chinese dollar has caused heavy sales in the old British Stabilisation Fund. It is predicted that the Chinese dollar will not fall below the present rate and when the new Fund starts to work, the Chinese dollar may even get stronger. "Reuter" learns that the new Sino-British-American Stabilisation Fund may start working within a few weeks.

Appeal To Thailand

RANGOON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—It is revealed here that the broadest appeal to Thailand to stand firm in the maintenance of her independence, made in Thai from the Penang station, was by Sir Joseph Maung Gyi, foremost of Burma's elder statesmen and at one time Acting Governor of Burma. Sir Maung, whose early years were spent in Thailand, recalled that the country recently assumed her new name, which means "Free."

No Observers In Occupied France

VICHY, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The German authorities have asked all consular officers to leave Occupied France territory by September 1, according to a Paris dispatch to the Vichy news agency. Exceptions are expected to be made of certain countries, including the Consular-General of Argentine, Brazil and Chile but numerous other representatives of the three countries will have to go.

BOMBAY, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—A sum of £150,000 has so far been remitted to the Ministry of Aircraft Production from the Bombay Air Gifts Fund.

Giving The Soldier An Interest In Affairs

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—"Their's not to reason why, their's but to do and die" will no longer apply to the British soldier.

The Balacava attitude, epitomised in Tennyson's lines, was swept away by a War Office announcement to-day that it has been decided to set up an Army Bureau of Current Affairs.

The idea is to enable officers to tell their men in training time who they are fighting and to keep them abreast of events, policies and personalities of the world at war. In other words: the ideal soldier of to-day will mate up to Cromwell's famous definition of the citizen soldier as one "who must know what he fights for and loves what he knows."

Topical Discussion

It is proposed that two or three times a week, officers will collect their platoons and outline selected topics of the day, answer questions and encourage discussion.

General Sir John Dill, Chief of Imperial General Staff, writes: "Interest in current affairs, including events of war, increases confidence; confidence is one of ingredients of unshakable morale."

A bulletin dealing with military affairs and world topics respectively will be issued to all officers on alternate weeks as material for talks. The Army Bureau Service will also supply information, film, photographs and radio discs for troops abroad, travelling exhibitions and a panel of special speakers.

Ship Bombed In Portuguese Waters

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—Three German aircraft violated neutral waters recently to attack a British ship as she was lying off a Portuguese port waiting to enter. The attack occurred at a point off the land frontier of Portugal and Spain and well within territorial limits. Because of this, the crew of the British ship were taken by surprise, believing that the approaching planes must either be Portuguese or Spanish. But the aircraft attacked, dropping one bomb which fell near the ship and raking her with machine-gun fire. Fortunately there were no casualties.

DUKE OF KENT'S VISIT TO U.S.A.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt will be the week-end host of the Duke of Kent at Hyde Park. The President will leave for Hyde Park to-morrow. Returning with the President on Monday, the Duke will stay at the House and will then inspect defence plants in Norfolk and Baltimore.

With Miners TIMMIN, Ontario, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—Dressed in overalls and a miner's helmet, the Duke of Kent descended a gold mine and remained below nearly an hour. On his return to the surface, the Duke changed into an Air Commodore's uniform and inspected the miners' recreation centre. He then drove his car 38 miles to Porquus where he boarded an airliner which took off for Toronto.

SECRET SESSION AT CANBERRA

CANBERRA, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—At the conclusion of Mr. Menzies' speech, Parliament went into a secret session which lasted six hours. The Government and Labour Parties to-morrow will discuss Mr. Menzies' proposed trip to London. It is considered unlikely that Labour will agree.

MONEY FOR U.S. DEFENCE

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—Allocations and commitments for the defence programme to-day topped the \$51,000,000,000 (£12,750,000,000) mark. The prospective second Lease-Lend request may raise the total to over \$55,000,000,000 (£13,750,000,000).

Miserable Existence Of Japanese

BOMBAY, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—For six days a month bread is not sold in Japan, butter and ghee are available only in very limited quantities at a stiff price, while there is already rationing of rice and bread, according to an Indian who arrived to-day from Japan: aboard the "Hind Maru." Forty Indian passengers arrived from Japan.

Enforcing Discipline On Poles

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—A further example of the Germans' average treatment of Poles is reported by the Berlin correspondent of the "Dagens Nyheter."

Quoting a report from a German commander, he states that a "Communist" band fired on a German military car in the village of Skala (Poland). Finding "proof" of complicity in the fact that the villagers did not warn the gendarmes, the Germans destroyed the whole village by fire, shot many villagers and hanged 50 so-called Communists.

Beaverbrook After Supply Concessions

NEW YORK, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—One of the chief points Lord Beaverbrook is now discussing with President Roosevelt, according to the Washington correspondent of the "Wall Street Journal", concerns British payments for defence orders contracted for prior to the Lend-Lease arrangements entering into force. The "Journal" says that it is reliably reported that Lord Beaverbrook has asked that the United States should take over all the existing British contracts, understood to involve \$1,500,000,000.

Treasury Plan WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—It is learned authoritatively that the United States Treasury Department is co-operating with British officials to relieve Britain's dollar position and is working on a plan whereby the United States Government would assume outstanding payments under the Lease-Lend Act on a certain percentage of orders contracted for by the British before the adoption of the Act.

However, it is stressed that the proportion of such payments to be taken over by the United States is not yet fixed and well-informed quarters are inclined to feel that the report in the "Wall Street Journal" that the United States Government would take over one-third of such payments is exaggerated.

Food Purchased WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The Agriculture Department announced the purchase of 1,320,000 pounds of American cheese, 5,500 cases of eggs, 2,104,000 pounds of dried pears, of which the bulk, it is understood, will be exported to Britain.

GERMAN BOMBER OVER ICELAND

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" REYKJAVIK, Aug. 20 (UP).—There was a 45 minute air raid alarm beginning at 7 a.m. to-day when a twin-engined German bomber flew over the city but dropped no bombs. American built Tomahawks and British fighters pursued the plane but lost it in the clouds.

Cordell Hull WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, at a press conference to-day said that he had heard nothing of a press report that a German plane had flown over Iceland and had been chased off by fighters. If the report was correct, he added, the fighters must have been British as he understood that there were no United States fighters in Iceland yet.

IMPORTANCE OF BASES IN EIRE

NEW YORK, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—Mr. Frank McDermott, the Eire Senator, who arrived here by Clipper to-day, declared that it was essential for the future of Ireland that Britain should not be defeated and added: "Lack of air and naval bases in Ireland might make the difference between victory and defeat for Britain in the Battle of the Atlantic."

One For East Anglia

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—After another day undisturbed by enemy air activity over Britain, a single raider dropped a high explosive bomb on an East Anglian town to-night. No casualties were reported.

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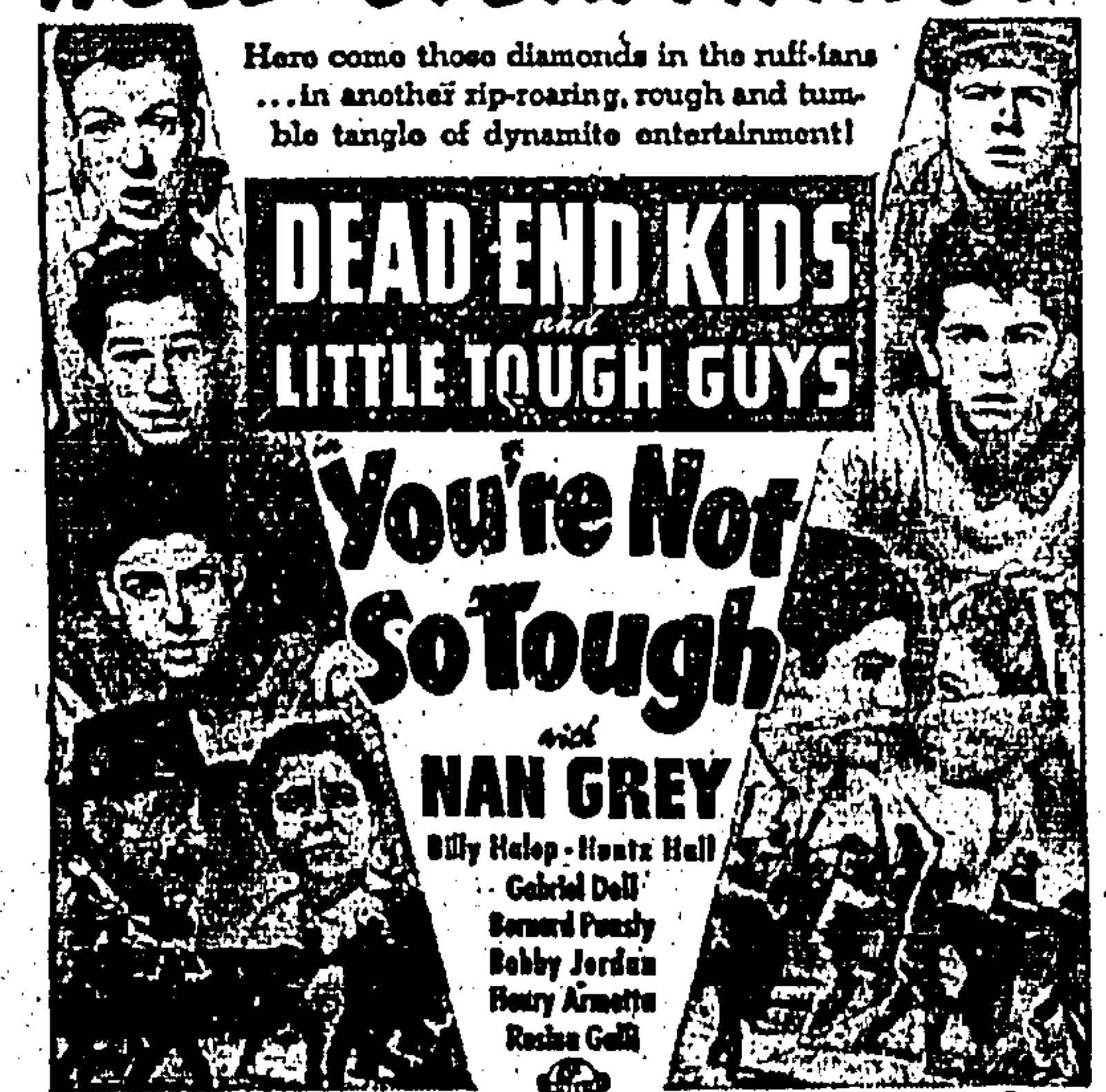


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E. O. Sassoon Banking Co. Ltd. (proceeds of sale of "V" Badges) \$25
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Sale of Shanghai R.A.F. Association "V" Badges—21 @ \$1 each 42
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Mr. Frank Gray, \$20.
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The receipt of \$20 is acknowledged as a donation from Mrs. Valerie Fahnestock to the Dog Home.
REFUGEE SCHOOL
The Director of Medical Services gratefully acknowledges receipt of a cheque for \$400 from the Medicine Dealers' Guild, which was the result of the following members of the Guild for the benefit of the Fanning Children's Camp School:
The Berlin Co. Ltd. \$50; the World Drug Co. Ltd. \$50; China Dispensary, Ltd. \$50; Chung Sing Drug Co. \$25; Western Drug Co. \$25; South China Drug Co. \$25; Union Dispensary, \$25; King's Dispensary, Ltd. \$25; Wick's Dispensary, \$25; Hakilly Co. Ltd. \$25; Luen Fook Hong, \$25; Sing Cheong Drug Co. \$40; Wing Sun Se, \$10.

ANGLO-JAPANESE BARTER PACT

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Yokohama Specie Bank will provide for the trading licence to be granted in exceptional circumstances. Each licence will be treated on its own merits from the British supply viewpoint. In each case, supply considerations will be weighed against considerations of economic warfare. It is pointed out in London that it would be wrong to regard the setting up of machinery for issuing trading licences as an essay in appeasement. The arrangement reached between the Bank of England and the Yokohama Specie Bank does not represent any retreat from the situation of affairs. Mr. Anthony Eden in the House of Commons. It defines the grounds on which licences are likely to be granted, but those grounds are exceedingly narrow.

Trade Very Limited

It was understood at the time that Mr. Eden announced the freezing of Japanese assets that in certain limited cases, licences might be granted. Trade under the new arrangement must be very limited. In the first place, it will be impossible to export from Britain to Japan goods greater in value than the imports the British authorities think it wise to receive from Japan. Second, Britain is not bound to release any goods at all. No commitment has been entered into with regard to goods Japan will get from Britain.

To Defend Odessa & Tallinn

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along a greater part of the eastern front has been marked by slight German advances in the sector between Kijisepp and Novgorod, but with no result either spectacular or decisive, writes "Annalist" in a military commentary. "The Russians are everywhere fighting with stubbornness and tenacity, and their morale seems completely unshaken by nearly two months of continuous strain. Whether the vigour of the German offensive is unimpaired after the same strain is known only to the German High Command and the German soldier, but it would be more than human nature for the ordinary infantryman to display the same zest for fighting, for he knows now that he is up against enemies as elusive as he is hard-hitting."

Lengthening Lines

"Despite the admitted efficiency of the German organisation, the growing strain of increasing distances, and the wear and tear must also be having a cumulative effect. "Nothing new is reported in the Smolensk and Kiev sectors and the German claims in the Ukraine do not carry one any further than what they asserted yesterday, namely, that Russian bridgeheads west of the Dnieper were being assailed. "It is significant that Russian aviation is still able to carry out raids on Berlin and Rumanian oil fields in addition to co-operational work in spite of repeated German claims, not once but over and over again, to have established complete supremacy in the air."

Jubilant Berlin Reports

BERLIN, Aug. 20 (UP).—The official news agency today claims that the Germans have now forced the Red army into a "hopeless Dunkirk situation" at three points—near Tallinn, on Lake Ladoga and at Odessa. The iron ring around Tallinn is constantly tightening, saving the Russians the only possibility of escaping via the Gulf of Finland where they would be subject to attacks by the German and Finnish navies.

The agency states that the Soviet catastrophe at Odessa has reached tremendous proportions. "The Luftwaffe there has sunk already more than thirty ships totalling over 170,000 tons. One heavy cruiser and some torpedo boats were destroyed while vainly attempting to protect the transports. These warships were also heavily hit by German bombs. The Russian fleet at Odessa are finding no way to cross the Black Sea any more. They are also unable to take away their war materials. The German Luftwaffe by day and night are leaving them no possibility of escaping via the Black Sea."

Escape Encirclement

MOSCOW, Aug. 20 (UP).—It is announced that General Ivan Boldin's troops who were encircled by the Germans west of Minsk in July have broken out of the pocket through the German lines and have now rejoined the main Red army.

Slovakian Losses

BERLIN, Aug. 20 (UP).—A dispatch from Bratislava to the "Börsen Zeitung" states that the Slovakian Commander in Chief, General Callo, announced that the Slovak losses thus far total 113 dead, 214 wounded and 17 missing.

High Command Report

BERLIN, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—The German High Command from the Fuehrer's headquarters reports: A battle has taken place in an area around and north of Gomel which ended in a heavy defeat for the Soviet forces.

Parts of seventeen divisions of riflemen, one mechanised division, two armoured divisions, five cavalry divisions and two air-borne brigades have been defeated, annihilated or taken prisoner. Into our hands have fallen 79,000 prisoners, 144 tanks, 700 guns and two armoured trains.

American Military Observer Here

Among the passengers who left for Manila by an American liner yesterday was Major B. A. Torney, American Military Observer in Hongkong. It is understood that Major Torney is going to Manila for reasons of health and will most probably be away for a month.

Mackenzie King's First Flight

SOMEWHERE IN BRITAIN, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—"Please tell Great Britain that Canada is with the Empire heart and soul for winning the war and will not spare any effort that is necessary to ensure victory."

This message was given by Mr. Mackenzie King, Canadian Prime Minister, before he left on Wednesday night for London.

Shortly after landing by plane which brought him to England (his first flight of which he said he enjoyed "every minute") Mr. Mackenzie King was in touch with his headquarters in Canada and he remained throughout the day. He was so busy that he did not have time to receive the Press or even have dinner.

Hospitality

In his message the Canadian Prime Minister thanked the people for their hospitality to Canadian servicemen who had been on leave. He added that letters received from them spoke in the most glowing terms of the hospitality they had received.

"This friendship will strengthen the strong ties existing between you and Canada, and help in the future to develop cultural, material and economic exchanges that are necessary to the welfare of both countries."

Dominions Council

LONDON, Aug. 20 (Reuter).—A suggestion that a permanent Dominions Council might be established in London is made in a "Yorkshire Post" leader.

It is most natural and right, it says, that there should be in the Dominions an increasing demand for closer contact with the War-Cabinet in London.

The paper notes the difficulty mentioned by Mr. R. G. Menzies that if all the Dominions claimed such a right, the British War Cabinet would be very greatly enlarged, and adds: "The problem is urgent. Could a solution of it be found by establishing in London a permanent Dominions Council with members drawn from among the most eminent Dominions statesmen who could be spared from their duties at home?"

"If this body could work in close and constant contact with the British War Cabinet and if Mr. Churchill could periodically attend its meetings, a considerable advance towards a full, practical co-ordination of the Empire's total war effort and war policy would surely be made."

Murder Trial Postponed

Before the hearing of a case before His Honour the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor at the Criminal Sessions this morning, Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, made an application for a murder case to be put over to the September Sessions. Accused in the case is Wan Wing-hing, 21, newspaper hawk.

Mr. Murphy explained that he was informed that Mr. Harold Lee was at present in hospital and he would be unable to appear on behalf of Accused at this Sessions.

Saying that he was very sorry to hear of Mr. Lee's illness, His Lordship granted the application.

Influenced By War In Russia

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best estimate of the army from 120,000 to 200,000, and it was pointed out that the Iron newspapers ridiculed the statements regarding German infiltration and intrigues. On the Russian front is divided between the serious threat to Leningrad and the imminent battle on the Dnieper. Commentators generally stressed the possible means of the Germans in crossing the wide turbulent waters and pointed out that the Dnieper dam is one of the Soviet's greatest achievements and might be blown up by the Germans, making it dangerously shallow and giving the Germans numerous fords. If the reports that Marshal Budenny has already destroyed five of the six bridges spanning the river prove to be true, as most experts presume.

Theft In Censors' Dept Detected

Two packers of the Censors' Department were sentenced to three months' hard labour by Mr. G. T. Lowry at Central Magistracy this morning for stealing a quantity of Gin Seng valued at \$35. Defendants were Leung Tin, 30, and Leung Cheung, 27.

Mr. D. Fitches, Superintendent of Mails, stated that yesterday afternoon, Defendants were found in possession of a quantity of Gin Seng. When questioned they admitted stealing from a postal packet which they had been instructed to repack after inspection.

Defendants pleaded guilty to the offence.

Shiukwan Foreign Residents

SHIUKWAN, Aug. 21 (International).—Shiukwan has 31 foreign nationals—10 females and 21 males. They are British, two males, one female; Germans, two males, four females; Italians, three males, eight females; Americans, two males, four females; Austrians one male; Irish, one male, one female; Hungarians, one male; New Zealanders, one male.

Another Strike

DETROIT, Aug. 20 (UP).—Detroit's vast defence industries employing 750,000 workers are crippled by a transportation strike which has left a large number without means of reaching their work.

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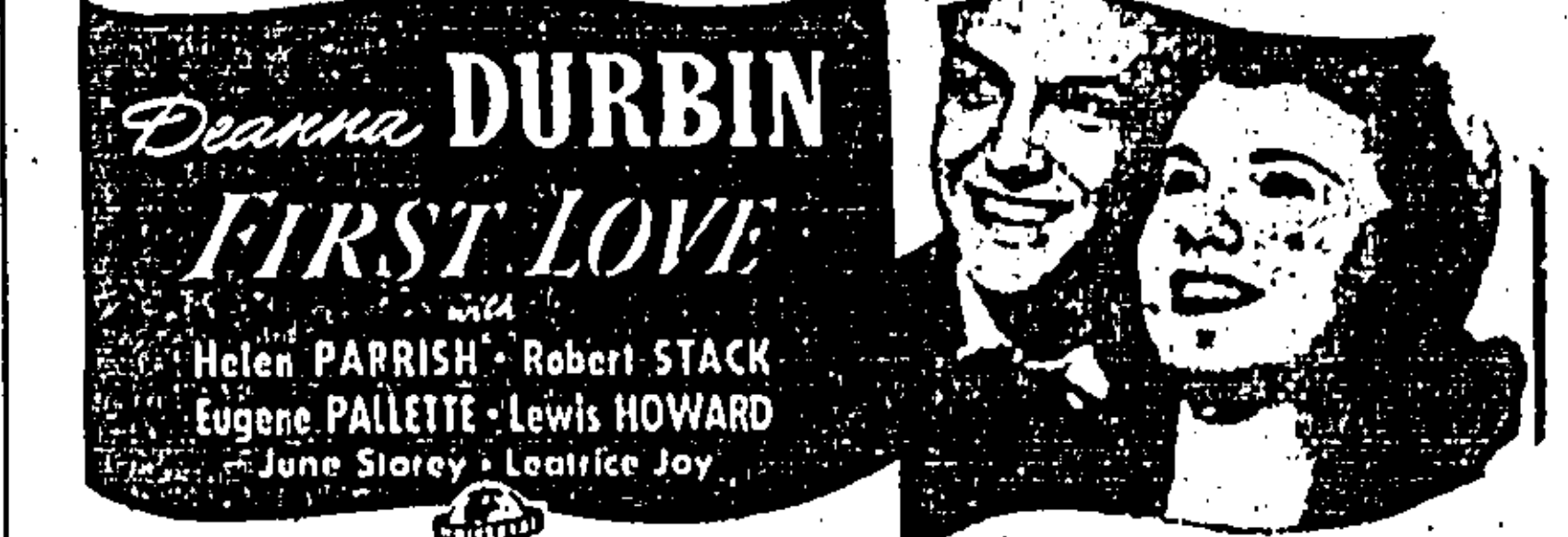
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